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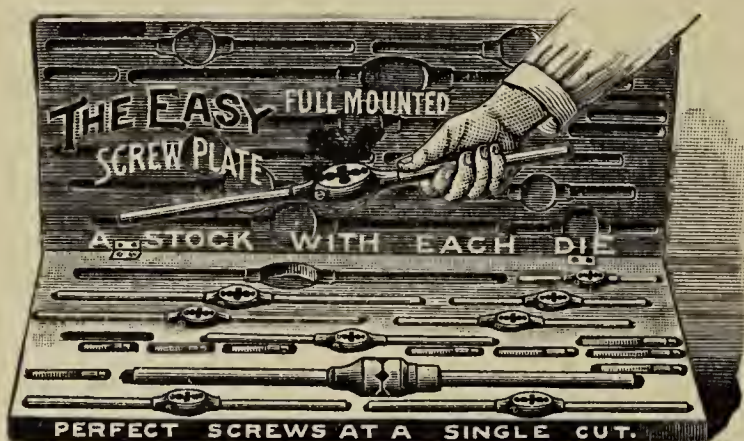
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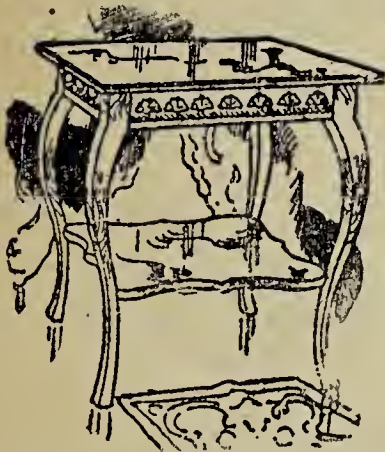


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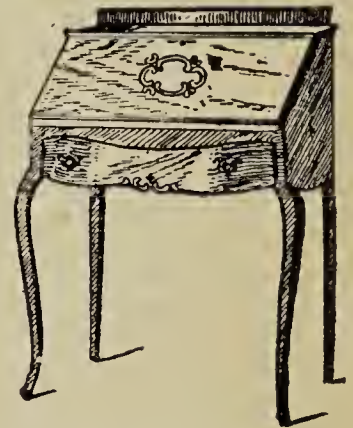


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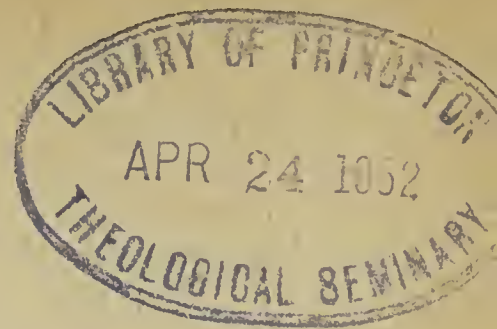
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# CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

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## FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

COLUMBIA, PA., September 27, 1899.

THE East Pennsylvania Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ met in its first centennial session, having now had an existence of one hundred years, in the Salome United Brethren Church, Columbia, Pa., Bishop E. B. Kephart, D.D., LL.D., presiding.

The Bishop opened the Conference by reading the seventh chapter of Matthew and offering prayer. The hymns, "Jesus, Lover of my soul" and "A charge to keep I have," were sung. Rev. E. Ludwick then offered prayer.

The opening address by the Bishop was very pointed and instructive.

The roll was called and forty-two ministers and eighteen lay delegates responded to their names.

The secretaries of last year were reelected, Z. A. Weidler, Recording Secretary, and E. A. G. Bossler, Statistical Secretary.

The Bishop was authorized to appoint all committees not otherwise provided.

The bar of the Conference was made to include the first seven seats across the church.

The hours of opening were appointed at 8:30 o'clock A.M. and 1:45 o'clock P.M., to adjourn on motion.

The Bishop appointed the following committees:

*Devotion.* — S. C. Enck and Jacob Sneath.

*Candidates for the Ministry and Credentials.* — C. I. B. Brane, D. S. Eshelman, and H. C. Phillips.

*Boundaries and Finance.* — D. D. Lowery, J. G. Smoker, J. A. Lyter, W. H. Ulrich, S. N. Eby, S. B. Grabill, and S. L. Swartz.

Master Christie Brubaker was recognized as the page of the Conference.

The following persons were appointed to report the proceedings of the Conference to the daily papers: Lancaster *New Era and Columbia News*, H. E. Steinmetz; Lancaster *Intelligencer*, H. F. McNelly; *Columbia Spy*, A. A. Long; Harrisburg *Telegraph*, J. X. Quigley; Lebanon *News*, G. W. M. Rigor; Lebanon *Report*, E. O. Burtner; Philadelphia *Inquirer*, H. T. Denlinger; Philadelphia *Record*, A. R. Myers; Philadelphia *Press*, L. R. Kramer; Philadelphia *Ledger*, J. M. Shelly.

H. K. Benson, H. H. Hoffer, and Adam K. Weir, preachers having quarterly-conference license, were recommended to the Annual Conference and their names referred to the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry.

The names of ministers not having charges were called and their characters passed: J. W. Boughter, H. T. Denlinger, P. E. Dietrich, H. B. Dohner, D. S. Early, G. W. Enders, S. D. Faust, J. B. Funk, I. M. Groff, J. H. Kurtz, E. Light, E. S. Nissley, J. X. Quigley, H. U. Roop, G. L. Shaeffer, J. G. Steiner, S. L. Swartz, Joseph Young.

The names of J. B. Daugherty and H. D. Lehman, ministers who died during the year, were referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

W. M. Goodwin was granted an honorable dismissal from the Conference and Church.

J. P. Miller was granted a transfer to the Miami Conference.

H. V. Mohn's name was erased from the Conference journal, he having irregularly withdrawn from the Church.

The presiding elder, D. D. Lowery, then read his annual report, which was adopted.

#### REPORT OF PRESIDING ELDER.

*To the Presiding Bishop and Members of the East Pennsylvania Conference, in session at Columbia, Pa., Greeting.*

MY DEAR BRETHREN:—It is with profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father that I appear before you again to render my annual report of the work on the District during another conference year.



*Deaths.*—We chronicle the death of two of our number. Revs. J. B. Daugherty and H. D. Lehman have gone to their reward. The former lived to a good old age, while the latter was stricken in the prime of life, but both died full of peace and hope. In accordance with your action at our last annual session, instructing the Presiding Elder, in case of the death of any of our ministers, to appoint a committee on memoir, I appointed Rev. M. J. Mumma to prepare a paper on Rev. J. B. Daugherty, and Revs. H. C. Phillips and G. W. M. Rigor to prepare a paper on Rev. H. D. Lehman, and these brethren are undoubtedly here to make further appropriate reference to the names of the departed.

*Resignations.*—Shortly after the adjournment of the last year's session of Conference, Rev. H. T. Denlinger, who had been appointed to the St. Johns charge, resigned, and Rev. G. W. M. Rigor, who had been appointed to the Halifax charge, finding it impossible to remove with his family to the latter place, and the distance too far from his home to conveniently serve the charge in the pastorate, also resigned, whereupon I immediately appointed him to St. Johns, and Rev. I. Moyer Hershey to Halifax. After the death of Rev. H. D. Lehman, who had been serving Royalton charge, I appointed Mr. J. K. Henry, as the unanimous choice of the official brethren of that place, to look after the interests of the charge during the unexpired term. Otherwise no changes have occurred in the pastorates of the Conference district.

*The Spiritual Condition.*—It gives me a great deal of satisfaction to be able to report the spiritual condition of the churches generally much improved. Not only so, but there is apparent a deep longing for and an eager looking forward to a better and more useful life among our people. This is evidenced by the fact of larger attendance at public worship, both in the preaching and prayer services, a more faithful study of God's Word, and a constantly increasing number who are no longer satisfied with an inactive Christian life, but express their readiness upon all occasions to engage in such work as the church may have for them to do. What has sometimes in the past been the rule has become the exception, so that we now very seldom hear of declinations of elections to official position or of appointment to duty in the work of the church. This is certainly a gratifying indication of the growth of a more stanch Christian manhood and womanhood. If we have not seen the work as prosperous in all departments as we could have desired it to be, commensurate with the energy devoted and the money expended, we nevertheless rejoice that from present indications there is a most hopeful outlook.

*Material Prosperity.*—We have made some progress materially. We expect the chart to show an increase in membership and in moneys collected and expended for various purposes.

One new church-building is nearing its completion, and will be ready for dedication within a few weeks. This is at Iona, on the Shaefferstown charge, Rev. W. W. Fridinger, pastor. The church will be a fine frame building, of modern design in architecture, and quite complete in its apartments. It will cost, when finished, about four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00). The pastor, together with the brethren there, deserve a great deal of credit for their enterprising spirit and the success with which they have accomplished this good work.

The Central congregation, Philadelphia, Rev. E. O. Burtner, pastor, found an excellent church property for sale on Twelfth, near Thompson Street, in the very heart of the city, and purchased it at what is considered a most reasonable figure, five thousand and one hundred dollars (\$5,100.00).

Several church-houses have also been repaired. The Ebenezer church, on the Harrisburg Circuit, Rev. Wm. Beach, pastor, was repaired at a cost of about three hundred dollars (\$300.00). Both the Limeville and Mt. Zion churches, on the Pequea charge, Rev. N. A. Kiracofe, pastor, have been painted and repaired at a cost of four hundred dollars (\$400.00). On the Mt. Joy Circuit, Rev. S. L. Rhoads, pastor, the Union (Eby's) and Newton churches were repaired at a cost of ninety dollars (\$90.00). The Oregon church, on the Lititz charge, Rev. C. G. F. Miller, pastor, was painted and repaired at a cost of about sixty dollars (\$60.00). At Oberlin, Rev. J. F. Smith, pastor, a member of the congregation did a very creditable thing in making a donation to the church by placing a new roof on the building at a cost of one hundred and sixty-five dollars (\$165.00). A good bell was placed on the St. Johns church, Lebanon Circuit, Rev. L. R. Kramer, pastor.

Besides these improvements, church and parsonage debts have been greatly reduced; and our Lancaster Covenant congregation quite recently purchased a new parsonage at a cost of about three thousand dollars (\$3,000). The house is located on a lot adjacent to the church-building, and while a more comfortable and commodious dwelling-house was needed for their pastor, it was also an important purchase from another consideration. They are now the owners of a most valuable site, affording room for needed future improvements and enlargement of church-building.

A worthy member of the Oberlin congregation, Mr. Christian Eshenaur, who was blind for a number of years, but always faithful in attendance at public worship, died during the year and left the following bequests: To the Board of Missions, one hundred dollars (\$100), and to his home church three hundred dollars (\$300).

*Conventions.*—The Conference Branch of the Woman's Mis-



sionary Association, at Penbrook, the Sunday-school, at Mountville, and the Young People's Societies, at Ephrata, were all conventions which, in large attendance and enthusiasm, exceeded any that were previously held in this Conference. Besides showing encouraging statistics of growth during the past year they also furnished a new impetus for more aggressive work in the coming years.

*Camp and Woods Meetings.*—The Mt. Gretna camp-meeting was held at the usual place and time, with a larger number of permanent occupants and an increased number of attendants. A fine auditorium was erected on the grounds during the past summer and dedicated on the Sunday of camp-meeting. The debt of the association is constantly deminishing, so that shortly it will be entirely free. It was decided by the Board of Managers, upon recommendation of the ministers present on the grounds, to somewhat turn the trend of things, and hereafter conduct the camp-meeting more in harmony with the usual custom of the Church respecting such gatherings for worship.

The Sea Grove camp-meeting, at Cape May Point, N. J., did not this year lack in interest and helpfulness, though it deserves a better patronage on the part of our people than it has heretofore received. It is a delightful place along the ocean beach to assemble for worship and for needed recreation. Those who have had this camp-meeting in charge for a number of years have spared no pains to make it as attractive as possible and to increase its power for good.

Hillsdale camp, near Middletown, was a feast of good things. Rev. P. A. Bowman, the pastor of the charge within whose bounds and under whose auspices this camp was held, by personal supervision and constant application for a number of weeks in preparation, made so successful a camp-meeting as was held there a possibility.

A woods meeting held on Intercourse charge, with Rev. H. M. Miller as pastor, was reported to me as having been fully equal to those of former years.

*Lebanon Valley College.*—Our educational institution, located at Annville, Pennsylvania, is reported to be in a flourishing condition. The opening of the fall term was unprecedented in the history of the school. The fine Conservatory of Music, now in course of erection, will soon be completed, and when finished will be a valuable addition to our college buildings, a credit to the institution, and an honor to Mr. B. H. Engle, one of our worthy laymen, through whose generosity the beautiful hall is placed there as a donation to the school. The college deserves the united support of all our people in the coöperating conferences. This support can undoubtedly be best secured by a faithful presentation of its merits, and its friends uniting to make it the best and

strongest institution in the denomination—if it is not already in the very front rank leading every progressive and aggressive movement in our educational work—and equal to any in the country.

*Mission Stations.*—We have four mission stations receiving appropriations from the Conference; these are in Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah and Central; Royalton, Pottstown and Montclare. The committee having the matter of appropriations in charge, should give each of these and other weak places its most careful attention, ascertaining their needs and possibilities, and so determine the best thing to be done by actual knowledge of the real situation thus acquired.

I feel that I should not do my duty if I did not give public expression of our appreciation of the noble character and faithful service of our brother, Rev. Thos. Whittle, who has for several years so loyally and faithfully served us in the pastorate of the St. Paul's church, Philadelphia. He is an exemplary Christian gentleman, of sweet disposition and catholic spirit; though not of our denominational fold, he greets you as did Otterbein Boehm, in the true spirit of fraternal regard and love.

It is not my purpose at this time to enter upon a discussion of the Mt. Pisgah Church building project, and yet it is important that a few things be said in this connection. This is an issue that has been before us in more or less definite shape for at least the past few years, and notwithstanding the explicit action of instruction taken at our last session of annual conference, no decided progress has been made, and the first foundation-stone is yet to be laid. There have been difficulties in the way and differences of opinion as to the best method of procedure, and, of course, yielding of personal opinion with the hope of accomplishing the greater good; but the fact remains that the church is not yet built, while it should have been built long ere this. It is due our faithful and energetic pastor there, Rev. H. C. Phillips, whose wise course and judicious administration have kept the congregation, during these weary months of waiting in discouragement, from utterly losing hope, that I say something in vindication of his position, which has been quite widely misunderstood. Brother Phillips has indicated his readiness for the past two years to go out at a moment's notice and solicit funds for the church-building, but no agreement could be reached as to the advisability of this course, and so he had no alternative but to wait and hope. My own conviction as early as two years ago, when the first definite action was taken by this body, was that the pastor of Mt. Pisgah Church should thoroughly canvass the Conference for funds, and the pastors aid in supplying the Mt. Pisgah pulpit during his absence, when local help was not secured, and Brother Phillips was heartily in agreement with



me; but this plan; of course, did not carry, and no other plan that has yet been proposed has succeeded, and in my humble judgment, will not. Only wise, judicious and absolutely definite action at this conference will save us from final defeat of our purpose to build the much needed church-edifice at Mt. Pisgah, and prevent the work there from going into utter disintegration.

It will certainly be in place here to caution against the adoption of theoretical plans which are wholly impracticable and which do not deserve serious consideration. It is too late a day for experiment. We cannot afford to hang this important issue upon the fragile thread of an imaginary theory of economy. We must avoid extremes. We must, at some time during the session of this Conference, get down to sober, solid thought on this question and make adequate provision for the faithful and certain carrying forward to speedy completion of the church-building project in Philadelphia. The person who may be secured as solicitor of funds for the work, whether it be the pastor or some other person, must have an undivided interest in it, if it is to succeed.

*Personal Work.*—I am sure you do not care for statistics, but if I were to give them I could tell you of thousands of miles traveled by rail and by team, of hundreds of communications written, and of nearly two hundred sermons and addresses delivered, with other work besides that came in the line of my duty. With a few exceptions I have held all the quarterly-conference business meetings myself, and I desire now to express my appreciation of the kindness of my brethren who have assisted me in holding several of these meetings. I have performed all the duties devolving upon my office, so far as I know. And so I have been actively and undividedly engaged in the work of the Conference district for a full year of twelve months, or three hundred and sixty-five days, without taking a vacation of a single day or giving my time, which properly belongs to the work of the district, to any other interest.

I have it upon my heart to say kindly that we are not always as frank with and true to one another as we should be. We are brethren. Let us be helpful to one another. We are the servants and ambassadors of Him who went about doing good, and we should always imitate his example.

I am deeply conscious of my unworthiness, and devoutly grateful to Almighty God for his undeserved mercy toward me and for his long-suffering and patience with me. Nor can I forget to express my highest appreciation of the wise counsel and helpful sympathy of my brethren. Your kindness has often been a source of great satisfaction to me, and I have gone about in the discharge of my duties encouraged with the assurance that I have been remembered in the prayers of those, at least, who were

interested in my personal welfare, and above all in the great work in which I have been engaged. If I have at any time offended in the least, or made mistakes which may have caused you pain or anxiety, I can only ask that you bear with my weakness, pardon my blunders, and pray that I may be preserved blameless before the Lord.

Praying for a pleasant and profitable season in this our centennial session of annual conference, I have the distinguished privilege of subscribing myself

Your humble servant and fellow-laborer in the Lord,  
D. D. LOWERY.

The reports of the following pastors were received and their characters passed :

D. S. Eshelman, A. R. Myers, S. C. Enck, Wm. Beach, U. S. G. Renn, I. M. Hershey, J. A. Lyter, A. A. Long, C. W. Hutsler, M. A. Salt, M. J. Mumma, S. G. Kauffman, A. L. Shannon, H. M. Miller.

H. M. Miller and S. G. Kauffman were granted leave of absence from Conference to preach funeral sermons.

Revs. J. T. Shaffer, E. S. Bowman, and W. J. Houk, of the Pennsylvania Conference, and Rev. W. R. Funk, D.D., Publishing Agent of the Church, of the Allegheny Conference, were admitted to advisory seats in the Conference.

On motion, adjourned, with benediction by C. I. B. Brane.

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## SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

September 28, 1899.

Conference convened at 8:30 A.M., with half hour devotional service led by W. W. Fridinger.

The Bishop addressed the Conference on the subject of church-building.

The roll was called and thirty-seven ministers and twenty-seven lay delegates answered to their names.

Hearing of reports was then resumed, and the characters of the following ministers were passed: P. A. Bowman, M. M. Weber, E. A. G. Bossler, C. I. B. Brane, L. R. Kramer, C. G. F.



Miller, M. E. Bachman, H. F. McNelly, S. L. Rhoads, J. G. Smoker, J. F. Smith, G. F. Bierman, N. A. Kiracofe, Z. A. Weidler, H. C. Phillips, E. O. Burtner, J. R. Meredith, J. M. Shelly, W. W. Fridinger, Thomas Garland, G. W. M. Rigor.

Reports were received from J. T. Shaffer, H. H. Hoffer, and J. K. Henry, serving charges in the Conference, but not members of the same.

The report on Publishing Interests was read by J. M. Shelly, and after an eloquent address by Rev. W. R. Funk, D.D., Publishing Agent of the United Brethren Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio, was adopted.

#### REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

Next to the personal touch of life to life, there is no agency so powerful in the formation of character as the printed page. Sixty thousand new books and millions of other publications are placed on the markets of the world each year. Many of these books and papers are exceedingly pernicious and injurious. The church which ignores the mighty force of literature and the pastor who neglects to look after what the people read are passing by the most helpful assistant and ignoring the most dangerous enemy of the Christian church.

We appreciate the fact that the United Brethren Publishing House represents the highest standard of literature, and that all books and papers with the U. B. monogram are safe and helpful in the development of Christian life. Therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That we pledge our support to the Publishing Agent in his effort to carry out the instructions of the General Conference and place the management of the House on a solid and safe business foundation.

2. That we will do all in our power to make the New Century Library of Theology a possibility.

3. That we appreciate the splendid services of the editors and the publisher of the *Religious Telescope* in making it one of the best religious papers published in the United States, and that we will make an effort to increase the circulation thereof.

4. That we appreciate the improved character of the Sunday-school literature.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. SHELLY, *Committee.*

Rev. Z. A. Colestock, of the Pennsylvania Conference, was admitted to an advisory seat.

Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, of the Reformed Church, was introduced to the Conference.

On motion, adjourned, with benediction by S. L. Swartz.

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## SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened at 1:45 P.M. Devotional exercises conducted by I. M. Hershey.

On motion, a matter relative to the Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah Church was deferred to some future time.

Dr. Funk addressed the Conference on the necessity of a book literature, and twenty-five subscribers were secured for the New Century Library of Theology.

The report of the Committee on Boundaries was read and adopted as follows:

### REPORT OF BOUNDARY COMMITTEE.

The Boundary Committee begs leave to report as follows:

1. That there be one presiding-elder district.
2. That Montclare be detached from Pottstown, and that Montclare be constituted Montclare Station. It is recommended also that these two points be referred to the Committee on Appropriations for further consideration.
3. That East Harrisburg Circuit be known as Harrisburg Circuit.
4. That Lebanon Circuit be called Lebanon St. Johns.
5. That the trustees of Brightbills appointment, on Lebanon Circuit, be authorized to sell that church property and instructed to hold the proceeds of sale to be disposed of by the Annual Conference.
6. That Florin Circuit be called Florin Station.
7. That all other charges remain as they now are.

Respectfully submitted,

D. D. LOWERY,  
J. G. SMOKER,  
S. L. SWARTZ,  
W. H. ULRICH,  
S. B. GRABILL,  
S. N. EBY,  
J. A. LYTER,  
*Committee.*



H. T. Denlinger read the following report on Temperance, which was adopted;

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

It is the honest conviction of many of the wisest and best men and women of this generation that the greatest evil we have to contend with is the license liquor traffic. It is the most prolific source of intemperance, poverty, crime, sin, and death; it desolates homes, ensnares unsuspected youth, wrecks character, destroys manhood, and degrades womanhood; it is the disturber of the public peace, the enemy of labor, the foe of industry, the parent of sedition, strife, vice, and immorality, the corrupter of politics, legislation, and law; it bribes judges, jurors, and the public press; it fills jails, penitentiaries, and asylums with its wretched victims; it is the desecrater of the Christian Sabbath, the foe of the church, the subverter of all that is good, the shame and disgrace of this age of Christian civilization; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That high license and moral suasion are inadequate to deal effectually with this evil, as is proven by a steady increase in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors under these systems; that the only successful remedy is the absolute prohibition of the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquors by legislative enactments by a political party that is honestly and sincerely opposed to this nefarious business.

2. That we recognize the liquor traffic as a political as well as a moral question, and that it should be dealt with both morally and politically, and that all professed Christians ought to take their religion into their politics, and demand of the political parties that seek their support an inveterate hostility to this great soul- and body-destroying evil.

3. That we denounce as partial and unjust the interpretation of the Anti-Canteen law by Attorney-General Griggs, and while we admire President McKinley for his good qualities and wise administration we must condemn him for appointing the attorney of the liquor league to so high a position where it is possible for him to do so much in the interest of his former clients.

4. That we vow unceasing hostility against this unholy business, and that we will do all in our power to help to sustain every effort that is put forth in the interests of temperance and prohibition, until every saloon is closed throughout the borders of our land.

5. That we will strictly adhere to the requirements of our Discipline by observing the fourth Sabbath of November as temperance day, and that we will use only unfermented wine in administering the Lord's supper.

H. T. DENLINGER,  
*Committee.*

The report on Sabbath Observance, read by J. X. Quigley, was adopted.

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

WHEREAS, God in his all-wise providence has instituted the Christian Sabbath, and the law of God and experience teaches that man and beast ought to rest one day out of seven; and,

WHEREAS, The preservation of the Sabbath is dangerously menaced on every side; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That we as a Conference condemn the transaction of all secular business, visiting for pleasure and recreation, either by Sunday trains, trolley-cars, or bicycling, and all other sinful diversions on the Lord's Day.

2. That we rigidly discountenance the publication and reading of the Sunday newspapers, which is directly contrary to the spirit of the fourth commandment, and proving an injury to our Sabbath service and a demoralization to the readers.

3. That nothing but the actual necessities of life should be sold at our Sunday camp-meetings.

4. That each pastor shall at least once a year preach a special sermon, impressing upon the minds of the people the sacredness of the Sabbath.

Respectfully submitted,

J. X. QUIGLEY, *Committee.*

The Committee on First Year's Course of Reading, reported as follows, and was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRST YEAR'S COURSE OF READING.

We, your Committee on First Year's Course of Reading, offer the following report:

There appeared before us Mr. I. M. Hershey, and was examined by us as per Discipline. We have given him the following grades; namely, Bible Study by Books, 1; New Acts of the Apostles, 1; Art of Reading and Speaking, 1; U. B. Church History, 1; Homiletics, Part I and II, 1; Manual of Church Discipline, 1; Christian Doctrine, 1; Sermon, 1½. Average, 1 1-16.

We recommend that he be passed to the second year's course of reading.

C. I. B. BRANE,

D. S. ESHELMAN,

*Committee.*

The Committee on Second Year's Course of Reading presented the following report, which was adopted:



REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECOND YEAR'S COURSE OF  
READING.

We, your Committee on Second Year's Course of Reading, would report the following: There appeared before us M. M. Weber, who desires to be retained in the Course, and after a conference with him we recommend that his request be granted.

J. A. LYTER,  
S. C. ENCK,  
E. LUDWICK,  
*Committee.*

J. G. Smoker read the following report on Missions, which, after earnest addresses by H. B. Dohner and Bishop Kephart, was adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

The commission given to his disciples is a perpetual injunction from the Lord to foster and maintain the spirit of Christian missions. No sooner does the church ask, What shall we do for the souls of men? than the voice comes out of the cloud on Olivet, "Go ye . . . and preach the gospel."

Although nearly nineteen centuries have passed since this command has fallen from the lips of the blessed Master, and much has been done to comply with his command to enlarge the borders of his kingdom, it is nevertheless a sad fact that a large portion of the world is still groping in gross darkness, bound with the chains of savagery and idolatry and ignorance.

While very much could be said of the foreign fields, we turn our attention to the vast fields within the bounds of our own land, many of them uncultured, unrefined, and unsaved. While Ethiopia is stretching out her hands toward God, America, the pride of the nations, is as well crying to us for help. Yea, within the bounds of our own Keystone State there are many places which are destitute and in need of help to gather in the sheaves for the eternal harvest.

Let us not forget that the cry comes to us from Eastern Pennsylvania and from the Atlantic coast, "Come and help us," while the loyal brethren of Philadelphia are stretching out their hands toward us these many years, *but in vain*. Can we fold our arms and let our neighbors perish? No, a thousand times, no!

No one who has the spirit of Christ can fail to be interested in the spread of the gospel. The joys of the Christian life, and the privileges with which we are surrounded appeal to our better nature and combine to awaken an interest in this the greatest of all causes, for in this we are debtors to all men. Therefore,

*Resolved* 1, That we as a Conference will strive by every means within our reach to advance the cause of Christian missions and thus discharge the great obligations resting upon us.

2. That we recognize the preaching of the gospel of Christ to the world as the most sacred duty enjoined upon the church; that we shall continue to keep before it this demand till the gospel has reached to the ends of the earth.

3. That while with sad hearts we bow in humble submission to the visitation of God's providence in the loss of the dear consecrated lives that were sacrificed for the cause of Christ, and in the loss of valuable property in West Africa, we as a Conference will double our diligence and devotion to that dark continent, and build a monument to the memory of our fallen heroes that shall tell for the salvation of millions of souls for Christ. Believing that "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church" we will put forth every possible effort to advance our mission interests in Africa, Germany, Japan, China, and especially in our new possessions.

4. That we look upon the missionary work of our Church at home as well as abroad, as our most important interests.

5. That we express our appreciation of the work of the Woman's Missionary Society of our Church, and promise them our aid and influence in their noble work.

6. That as we believe that all we have is from the Lord and that the gospel standard of giving is, as God has prospered us, we will give at least the tenth of our incomes toward the furtherance of the gospel.

7. That we pledge our support to the Missionary Board in their efforts to raise \$100,000 for this cause, and that the East Pennsylvania Conference will come up to the demand made upon us.

8. That we, the ministers, with the aid of the laity will use our best endeavors to extend the kingdom of Christ within the bounds of our own Conference. Instead of selling out and disposing of property already secured, we will unite our efforts in gaining new territory; and that we will use all the means within our power to erect within the first six months of the new Conference year a church (not a chapel) at Mt. Pisgah, Philadelphia, that will speak for the glory of God and the peace, welfare and happiness of those loyal people there, and that we as a Conference will make sacrificial efforts to that end.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. SMOKER, *Committee.*

Mr. E. W. S. Parthemore, Conference Missionary Treasurer, read his annual reports, which were referred to the Auditing Committee.



REPORT OF MISSIONARY TREASURER.

COLUMBIA, PA., September 28, 1899.

The following is the report of your Missionary Fund Treasurer from September 30, 1898, to date:

*Receipts.*

Balance in treasury Sept. 30, 1898.....	\$1,715 60	
Received from this Conference.....	1,883 67	
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Total receipts.....		\$3,599 27

*Expenditures.*

To Rev. H. D. Lehman, Royalton, for ten □ months.....	\$166 70	
To Rev. H. H. Hoffer, Montclare, for year	100 00	
To General Missionary Treasurer.....	840 79	
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Total expenditures.....		\$1,107 49
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Balance on hand.....		\$2,491 78

Respectfully submitted,  
E. W. S. PARTHMORE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT ON MISSIONARY DEBT.

COLUMBIA, PA., September 28, 1899.

*To the Members of East Pennsylvania Conference.*

BRETHREN: Herewith you will find the standing of the missionary debt of the Conference:

Amount of debt reported Sept. 30, 1898.....	\$1,974 73	
Interest on above amount from Oct. 1, 1898, to Sept. 30, 1899.....	118 49	
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Total debt, Sept. 28, 1899.....		\$2,093 24
By amount received this Conference.....		20 91
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Total debt at this date.....		\$2,072 33

Respectfully yours,  
E. W. S. PARTHMORE, *Treasurer.*

The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Oberlin Church was requested by the Conference to pay the Confer-

ence moneys in his hand, as ordered by the Official Board of said church.

On motion, the Conference Missionary Treasurer was authorized to apply all surplus moneys to the liquidation of the missionary debt of the Conference.

E. W. S. Parthemore was reëlected Conference Missionary Treasurer, and J. R. Meredith, Conference Missionary Secretary.

Rev. Dr. Ely, of the Presbyterian Church, Revs. Ira McDanil and T. H. McAfee, of the Church of God, and Rev. G. W. Reen, of the Lutheran Church, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion, adjourned, with benediction by C. I. B. Brane.

### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

September 29, 1899.

Conference convened at 8:30 A.M., with a half-hour's devotional service conducted by M. E. Bachman.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

C. B. Rettew, treasurer of all Conference moneys not otherwise designated, read the following reports, which were adopted.

#### REPORT OF CONFERENCE MONEYS.

<i>Fund.</i>	<i>Assessment.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>	<i>Arrears.</i>	<i>Overpaid.</i>
Church-Extension.....	\$1,166 00	\$994 10	\$171 90	.. .. .
Sunday-school General..	232 00	203 50	28 50	.....
Church-Erection.....	499 00	452 00	47 00	.....
U. B. Seminary.....	399 00	353 00	46 00	.....
Educational Beneficiary.	93 00	87 00	6 00	.....
Bishop's Salary.....	310 00	297 00	13 00	.....
Lebanon Valley College.	246 00	255 41	.....	\$9 41
Twentieth Century.....	.....	8 00	.....	8 00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$2,945 00</b>	<b>2,650 01</b>	<b>\$312 40</b>	<b>\$17 41</b>

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. B. RETTEW, *Treasurer.*

COLUMBIA, PA., September 29, 1899.



REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CONFERENCE CHURCH-EXTENSION SOCIETY.

*Receipts.*

September 30, 1898—	
Balance in treasury.....	\$513 30
Easter thank-offering.....	189 52
Conference assessments.....	994 10
Division of assessment for church erection.....	226 00
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Total .....	\$1,922 92

*Expenditures.*

November 30, 1898 --	
For legal services, writing mortgage and bond, revenue stamps, and recording deed and mortgage.....	\$19 22
December 9, 1899—	
Paul Mohr, for plans and specifications for Philadelphia church.....	45 00
January 21 and July 27—	
Rev. H. C. Phillips, interest on Mt. Pisgah Church	50 00
February 28 and September 8—	
A. G. Saylor, interest on Pottstown church.....	96 00
April 29, 1899—	
Taxes on church lot, 10th Ward, Harrisburg, Pa.	11 55
July 1, 1899—	
Easter thank-offering, envelopes, printing, and postage.....	9 75
Expenses of Philadelphia Church Committee for five trips to Philadelphia and Harrisburg....	20 89
September 28, 1899—	
Printing, postage, and revenue stamps.....	22 71
Rev. H. C. Phillips, monthly, from October 30, 1898 to September 30, 1899, appropriation for Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, Pa.....	400 00
Rev. E. O. Burtner, monthly, from October 30, 1898 to September 30, 1899, appropriation for Philadelphia Central Mission.....	600 00
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Total expenditures.....	\$1,275 12
Balance in treasury September 29, 1899.....	647 80
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Total .....	\$1,922 92

Faithfully yours,

CHAS. B. RETTEW, *Treasurer.*

Columbia, Pa., September 29, 1899.

In a question of privilege, D. D. Lowery stated his reasons for deferring the Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah Church matter.

The Committee on Third Year's Course of Reading reported no applicants for examination.

The Committee on Ordination reported no applications for ordination.

The Committee on Candidates for the Ministry reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPLICANTS.

We, your Committee on Applicants, beg leave to offer the following:

There appeared before us Mr. A. K. Weir and Mr. H. H. Hoffer. They were duly examined as per Discipline, and we recommend them for license to preach the gospel.

C. I. B. BRANE,  
D. S. ESHELMAN,  
H. C. PHILLIPS,  
*Committee.*

ANNVILLE, PA., September 1, 1899.

*To the Members of East Pennsylvania Conference:*

It gives us pleasure to certify that the Rev. H. K. Benson passed a very creditable examination as per Discipline, and that we heartily recommend him for admission to our Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

H. U. ROOP,  
D. S. ESHELMAN,  
C. I. B. BRANE,  
*Committee.*

The names of the ministers were called and the roll revised. H. K. Benson was granted an open transfer.

E. O. Burtner was voted into the itinerancy. D. D. Lowery was reëlected Presiding Elder.

The report on Church Erection, which was read on the previous evening, was adopted after an address by Bishop Kephart.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ERECTION.

The subject in itself is very suggestive. This society is indispensable, necessary for aggressive church work. In the past ages the people had altars of earth; also of stone. Then we see the tabernacle of Moses in the wilderness. Then, coming down to



Solomon's time, we see a beautiful temple on Mt. Moriah; and in the time of our Lord, the synagogue. As we come down the ages, we see church and state united in building places of worship in parish. In these modern times we see an improvement over the past, by each congregation building its own place of worship whenever Providence clearly opens the way.

In no time in our church life do we need the divine mind and hand in the erection of places of worship as we do now. The building of church-houses, on account of its intimate relation with the future progress of the Church, demands a policy based upon the teaching and practice of divine revelation.

Church-houses should be built in the very best locations; should not be started until two-thirds of the money is in the hands of the building committee, and the balance on good subscription; or, better still, have all the money as a free-will offering before the foundation-stone is laid.

*Resolved*, 1. That we accept kindly and with a Christlike spirit the business principles given by the Secretary, published in the *Religious Telescope*, believing them to be in harmony with the best business methods for the permanent growth of our Church.

2. That we as ministers of the East Pennsylvania Conference will do our utmost to collect our assessments; also, try to influence those of means to give large donations and bequeath to the Church-Erection Society after the manner of giving to other institutions of the Church.

3. That we will present the Church-Erection Society to our people; that we will ask them to give free-will offerings to the Society, and by these offerings raise more than the assessments.

4. That we express our highest appreciation of the present administration, and pledge ourselves to hold up the hands of our invincible worker and brother, Rev. W. M. Weekley.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. SALT, *Committee.*

The trustees of the Preachers' Aid Society presented the following report, which was adopted.

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PREACHERS' AID FUND.

The trustees of the Preachers' Aid Fund would respectfully report to Conference:

1. That the property of the Fund is in good condition and free of debt.

2. We would recommend the following appropriations to claimants on the Conference for aid:

Mrs. Baltzell, \$75; Mrs. Sanders, \$75; Mrs. Peters, \$75; Mrs.

Lehman, \$75; Mrs. Funk, \$20; Mrs. Carpenter, \$10; Rev. J. W. Baughter, \$50.

Respectfully,

J. R. MEREDITH.

H. C. PHILLIPS.

M. J. MUMMA.

L. R. KRAMER.

In this connection the Treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Fund made his report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PREACHERS' AID FUND.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1899.

Your Treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Fund respectfully reports the following:

*Receipts.*

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1898.....	\$371 25
Received from charges during the year...	67 00
Received from rentals during the year...	155 00
Received during session of Conference...	108 75
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Total .....	\$702 00

*Expenditures.*

Paid telephone message.....	\$0 25
Paid claimants on fund.....	275 00
Paid for repairs and taxes.....	42 24
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Total .....	\$317 49

Balance on hand.. .....	\$384 51
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Respectfully,

H. C. PHILLIPS,  
*Treasurer.*

On motion, the Conference requested the Finance Committee to double the assessment for Preachers' Aid.

H. C. Phillips was reelected Treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Fund.

On motion, S. L. Swartz and H. H. Kreider were reelected trustees of Lebanon Valley College.

Revs. J. P. Anthony, H. B. Spayd, and W. H. Weaver, of the Pennsylvania Conference, were admitted to advisory seats in the Conference.



Revs. Thos. Whittle, of the M. E. Church, and G. R. C. Coverdale, of the A. M. E. Church, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion, Conference adjourned, with the benediction by J. P. Anthony.

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### THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened at 1:45 P.M.

D. S. Eshelman conducted the devotional exercises.

W. H. Ulrich offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That a committee of five ministers of this Conference be appointed, of which the presiding elder shall be chairman, to prepare a program of services for the next session of our camp-meeting, at Mt. Gretna, and report the result of their work to the Board of Managers for their approval.

In accord with the above the following committee was appointed: D. D. Lowery, H. B. Dohner, J. A. Lyter, E. A. G. Bossler, and H. U. Roop.

J. X. Quigley, C. I. B. Brane, M. J. Mumma, S. D. Faust, and P. A. Bowman were appointed a committee to nominate persons for election to the professorship of the Russel Biblical Chair.

J. M. Shelly was reelected Conference Sunday-School Secretary and Treasurer.

E. W. S. Parthemore was reelected Conference Historical Secretary.

On motion, C. B. Rettew, S. N. Eby, and Jacob Sneath were reelected on the Board of Managers of the Conference Church-Extension Society.

The report on Education, prepared by J. P. Miller, was read by the Secretary, and after the report of Dr. H. U. Roop, president of Lebanon Valley College, and addresses by Dr. S. D. Faust, of Union Biblical Seminary, C. I. B. Brane, H. B. Dohner, and W. H. Ulrich, was adopted.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Christianity is a system of education. This fact is especially recognized in our own country. Already in the New England colonies Christianity regarded the religiously conducted school and college as equally necessary with the church. In less than twenty years after the pilgrim fathers had landed at Plymouth Rock, a college was provided by the people, and named after their minister, John Harvard. Eleven years after the founding of Harvard College, arrangements were made by the colonial legislature for free schools.

The culture of which the college is the type is the basis of all education. The moral and religious character of the colleges largely decides the moral and religious character of other schools. Hence the need of colleges that are distinctively Christian.

It is one of the encouraging signs of the day that Christian business men are more and more coming to see that they can in no better way bless mankind with their money, nor leave an inheritance that will be productive of more permanent good, than to bestow some of their wealth upon Christian colleges.

As United Brethren, our own denominational schools have a primary claim upon our benefactions. We cannot put this responsibility upon others, and we would not if we could. We rejoice to believe that there are men and women of ample means and large hearts among our people who will follow others who are now coming forward to make provision for schools. What more fitting memorial of far-reaching wisdom and liberality can such persons leave behind them?

As one of the coöperating conferences with Lebanon Valley College, we record our appreciation of the noble efforts of President Roop in placing the college at the front of our denominational schools. His successful and economical management of the institution has constituted an era in its history, and is worthy of all praise. We heartily pledge our continued support to the college, and hail the day in the near future when all remaining indebtedness upon the school shall be canceled, and the demand for increased equipment and facilities be amply met.

We believe a thorough theological training is indispensable to the best work of the ministry. To fit men and women for the highest and noblest duties in social and Christian life, to dismiss annually to the whitening fields gospel messengers upon whom rests not alone the spirit of consecration, but also the endowments of seminary training, is a task worthy of our enthusiasm and our deepest thought and prayers. We therefore pledge the hearty endeavor of every pastor and lay delegate towards raising the full amount of the assessments placed upon their charges, and otherwise coöperate with the management of Union



Biblical Seminary to raise the standard of ministerial qualification.

We recognize the need of more ample provision in the form of aid funds to assist indigent, meritorious students preparing for the gospel ministry. Our future ministers and missionaries are not likely to be supplied from the wealthier portion of our communities. They will come, as a general rule, from the middle and poorer classes. To aid such is simply sowing seed upon good ground, which brings forth fruit an hundredfold. We therefore pledge the Board of Education our hearty coöperation in securing means for the beneficiary fund of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. MILLER, *Committee.*

#### REPORT OF LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE.

It gives me pleasure to submit my third report on behalf of Lebanon Valley College.

The work of the College during the past year has been eminently satisfactory. The enrollment of students was 252.

Last June we graduated a class of twenty-six. The degree of A.B. was conferred upon Miss Mary E. Kreider, Walter G. Clippinger, Harry Howard Hoy, Isaac W. Huntzberger, Harry M. Imboden, Wm. O. Jones, Harry E. Miller, and John D. Stehman; that of B.S. upon Misses Emma R. Batdorf, Edith S. Graybill, Leah C. Hartz, Susie F. Herr, Bess M. Landis, Alma M. Light, Anna S. Myers, Caroline D. Seltzer, Hattie S. Shelley, Maud S. Trabert, and John P. Batdorf, Clarence V. Clippinger, Galen D. Light, G. Mahlon Miller, and Irvin E. Runk; and that of A.M. on examination upon Lemuel E. McGinnes, Superintendent of Public Schools, Steelton, Pa.

Misses Mabel E. Manbeck and Mabel Royer, were given diplomas in music.

The enrollment for the present term is larger by fifty-six than that of the corresponding term last year, notwithstanding the fact that twenty-six were graduated last June.

Because of the increased attendance, three new instructors have been added to the teaching force this year, all of whom are doing good work.

A fine Christian spirit prevails among our students. The religious services are well attended. The Bible is taught as catalogued, and special Bible classes have been organized by the Christian associations.

At the close of last year, the finances of the College were considerably improved. The income from tuition, room rent, and board exceeded the expenses \$2,697.72.

During vacation the exterior of the ladies' building was painted, and the hallways and a number of the rooms repainted and repapered; also all the rooms in the men's dormitory were repapered and repainted, iron bedsteads, springs, and mattresses put in them, a large part of which expense is or will be met by contributions from the different Young People's societies.

We have now the best equipment and organization for effective work the college has ever had. But the prosperity of the college to-day demands enlarged facilities. The remaining debt should be provided for; a central light and heat plant is greatly needed; another wing to the main college building should be erected; a mansard roof put over the whole building, thus giving another story for dormitory purposes; an ample and well-equipped gymnasium should be provided, and a commodious hall of science erected.

The cause of Christian education in our college could also be helped in any of the following forms of gifts or bequests:

1. The annual gift of \$100 will pay the board of some worthy young man or woman who could not otherwise obtain a liberal education; or the same sum will pay all the yearly tuition and incidental fees of two needy and capable students.

2. The donation of \$1,000 will endow a scholarship, the interest of which will pay the tuition and incidental fees of one meritorious and needy student perpetually. This makes a pleasant way of embalming the name of the donor, or that of a cherished friend.

Additional \$1,000 scholarships and other beneficiary funds are greatly needed to help that large class of gifted and ambitious young persons who are not able to secure an education without compromising their self-respect or injuring their health. Letters come frequently to the office of the president from those who are willing to make almost any sacrifice if only the way can be opened to a good education. We hope that many friends of education will embrace this golden opportunity of doing good.

3. Each department of instruction in the college should have an alcove in the library endowed with \$5,000, the annual interest of which would keep it furnished with the newest and best books.

4. Twenty-five thousand dollars will endow a professorship. The interest on this sum will permanently employ a noble and cultivated man or woman to teach in the donor's name the best things pertaining to the life that now is and that which is to come. The endowment of several additional professorships is one of the pressing needs of the college.

Some find an agreeable way of helping the cause of education in conveying to the college real or personal property on condition that a moderate annuity shall be paid by the college during life. In order to make this annuity plan perfectly safe to the college and annuitant:



(1) All amounts received on annuity will be loaned on adequate securities until the annuity lapses. (2) The aggregate amount of annuities payable will not be allowed to exceed the aggregate amount of interest received. (3) A certificate will be issued to each annuitant, specifying the dates and amounts of annuities due, accompanied by blank forms or drafts on which the annuity may be drawn. The donor to the annuity fund may designate to what special purpose his gift shall be applied after the annuity lapses. We commend this plan to our friends who wish to place funds where an income will be secured during their lives, and where they will do good forever.

Others who cannot spare any considerable amount from their business prefer to make provision in their wills for the cause of Christian education.

The supreme duty of the coöperating conferences to-day is to strengthen Lebanon Valley College. The prosperity of the college demands it. Every interest of the Church requires this to be done. The many young people committed to the Church's care, her responsibility for their spiritual, and largely for their higher intellectual culture, her great missionary and evangelistic enterprises require it. The most imperative demand of the church to-day is for trained workers, for consecrated and cultured men and women.

If the Church is to march through the twentieth century with the same conquering tread that has marked her progress to the present hour, if her ministry is to meet the imperative demands of the time and the coming decades as successfully as the heroic fathers met the less exacting demands of their times, if she is to hold the preëminent place Providence has assigned her, and to which the solemn voice of duty calls her, she must have the best trained and best officered army of Christian workers in the world. And to meet this prime need, so vital to all success, she must hasten to put underneath her institutions of learning, foundations of endowments and appliances so strong and so generous as to make them unsurpassed by any in the land. Her men of wealth must see, nor linger long before they catch the inspiring vision, that nowhere else in all the round of worthy objects appealing for aid, is money so imperatively demanded, and nowhere else will it accomplish such far-reaching results and yield such bountiful and ever-perpetuated returns, as in a Christian school, where it is ever crystallizing into the character of the men and women who will mold and move the world.

With the continued prayers and assistance of the Church in the different conferences there can be no doubt of the success of this phase of our Church work.

Respectfully submitted,  
HERVIN U. ROOP, *President.*

Subscriptions to the amount of eight hundred dollars were secured on the Conference floor for Lebanon Valley College.

The committee to nominate trustees for the Russel Biblical Fund and a professor for the Russel Biblical Chair presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE TRUSTEES FOR THE  
RUSSEL BIBLICAL FUND.

We, your committee, would present the following names as trustees of the Russel Biblical Fund: J. R. Meredith, A. L. Shannon, E. Ludwick, H. C. Phillips, Thos. Garland; and would further present the names of J. R. Meredith and U. S. G. Renn as candidates for professor of Russel Biblical Chair, authorizing the Secretary to cast the ballot.

In accord with the above J. R. Meredith was elected.

The Secretary was authorized to obtain definite information relative to the conditions of the will of the late Bishop John Russel as it relates to the Russel Biblical Fund.

Dr. W. M. Bell, General Missionary Secretary, of Dayton, Ohio, and Rev. J. W. Yohe, of Pennsylvania Conference, were admitted to advisory seats in the Conference.

Dr. Gordon, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced to the Conference.

On motion, Conference adjourned, with the benediction by C. W. Hutsler.

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FOURTH DAY — MORNING SESSION.

Conference convened at 8:30 A.M. Devotional hour led by E. Ludwick.

Minutes of yesterday's sessions read and approved.

The Committee on Finance read the following report which was adopted:



REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

FIELD OF LABOR.	Presiding Elder's salary.	Conference Church Extension.	Preachers' Aid	S. S. Gen. Fund.	Church Erection.	U. B. Seminary.	Educational Beneficiary.	Contingent Fund.	Bishop's Salary.	L. V. College.	Mission Debt Fund, 1896.
Annville.....	\$58	\$80	\$22	\$9	\$34	\$30	\$5	\$30	\$18	\$16	.....
Centerville.....	16	10	4	2	8	3	1	6	4	2	.....
Columbia.....	52	60	16	17	20	20	5	19	12	12	.....
Ephrata.....	33	30	12	4	12	12	2	11	7	6	\$23 00
Fishburn Circuit.....	36	33	16	8	10	13	2	11	7	6	.....
Florin Station.....	36	25	8	4	15	12	2	15	9	7	.....
Grantville Circuit.....	38	28	12	8	10	10	3	15	10	7	.....
Halifax.....	28	20	6	4	12	6	2	16	5	5	.....
Harrisburg Memorial.....	58	80	22	11	34	30	5	30	18	16	96 00
Harrisburg Derry Street...	38	53	10	7	15	10	2	15	10	9	.....
Harrisburg Circuit.....	31	15	8	6	8	7	3	7	7	5	.....
Highspire.....	36	33	8	5	15	10	3	19	8	7	.....
Hummelstown.....	33	37	16	5	12	12	3	19	8	7	.....
Intercourse.....	27	20	6	6	9	6	2	15	6	5	.....
Jacksonville.....	30	25	8	5	12	9	2	18	7	7	.....
Lancaster Covenant.....	40	40	12	7	13	12	3	19	10	9	.....
Lebanon Trinity.....	48	70	22	11	34	30	5	30	18	14	.....
Lebanon St. Johns.....	16	10	4	3	5	2	1	8	5	3	.....
Lititz.....	24	20	4	4	3	4	1	13	4	4	.....
Manheim.....	33	27	6	9	12	12	2	9	7	6	.....
Manor.....	33	22	6	5	15	12	2	19	7	6	.....
Middletown.....	33	20	8	5	15	8	2	15	7	6	.....
Montclare.....	12	8	3	2	4	2	1	4	3	2	.....
Mt. Joy.....	28	25	8	3	12	10	3	15	8	5	21 00
Mt. Joy Circuit.....	30	20	8	5	8	12	2	8	5	4	14 00
Mountville.....	40	60	14	5	15	13	4	19	9	9	.....
New Holland.....	33	26	10	9	10	12	3	13	12	8	.....
Oberlin.....	30	15	6	5	10	4	2	8	6	5	.....
Paradise.....	25	22	6	3	12	6	2	11	4	5	.....
Pequea.....	30	20	8	5	15	8	2	11	6	6	.....
Penbrook.....	30	20	8	7	10	4	2	11	7	6	.....
Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah...	27	8	6	3	7	5	2	8	4	3	.....
Philadelphia St. Paul.....	16	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	.....
Philadelphia Central.....	6	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....
Pottstown.....	12	8	3	2	4	2	1	4	3	2	.....
Reading Otterbein.....	36	40	8	7	20	12	3	15	10	6	27 00
Royalton.....	24	15	6	6	12	8	2	12	6	4	.....
Steelton.....	40	52	16	11	20	17	6	19	12	10	.....
St. Johns.....	25	15	6	5	4	4	1	12	5	4	.....
Springfield.....	20	20	10	5	7	8	2	10	6	2	.....
Shaefferstown.....	20	10	4	3	5	2	2	8	5	3	.....
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$1,261</b>	<b>\$1,149</b>	<b>\$370</b>	<b>\$233</b>	<b>\$490</b>	<b>\$401</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$549</b>	<b>\$308</b>	<b>\$251</b>	<b>\$181 00</b>

J. X. Quigley, Treasurer of the Contingent Fund, made the following report which was adopted:

CONTINGENT TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance in treasury at last Conference... \$632 31

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*Expenditures.*

1898			
Sept.	30.	Z. A. Weidler, secretary . . . . .	\$10 00
Sept.	30.	Z. A. Weidler, postage . . . . .	3 75
Sept.	30.	E. A. G. Bossler, secretary . . . . .	10 00
Sept.	30.	E. A. G. Bossler, postage . . . . .	40
Sept.	30.	D. D. Lowery, programs and postage . . . . .	1 40
Oct.	3.	David Kreider, balance on note . . . . .	50 00
Oct.	3.	David Kreider, one year's in- terest . . . . .	3 00
1899			
Jan.	14.	W. W. Sweigard, principal . . . . .	250 00
Jan.	14.	W. W. Sweigard, interest to April 1, 1899 . . . . .	18 83
Sept.	22.	W. W. Sweigard, balance of principal . . . . .	100 00
Sept.	22.	W. W. Sweigard, interest on \$100 for six months . . . . .	3 00
Total . . . . .			\$450 43
Balance in treasury . . . . .			\$181 88
Received at Columbia Conference . . . . .			650 00
Total . . . . .			\$831 88

Respectfully submitted,

J. X. QUIGLEY, *Treasurer.*

Audited and approved this 29th day of September, A.D. 1899.

G. F. BIERMAN,

H. F. MCNELLY,

*Auditors.*

The Conference Church-Extension Society made the following report, which was adopted :

## REPORT OF CHURCH-EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The Conference Church-Extension Society makes the following recommendations :

1. Appropriations—	
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah . . . . .	\$400 00
Philadelphia, Central Mission Station . . . . .	600 00
Royalton Mission Station . . . . .	200 00
Pottstown Mission Station . . . . .	550 00



Montclare Mission Station. . . . .	150 00
Lebanon, St. Johns.....	125 00
Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah, interest.....	50 00
Philadelphia, Central Mission Station, interest.....	150 00
Pottstown, interest.. . . . .	96 00
Harrisburg church lots, interest.....	162 00

2. We recommend that the Conference Missionary Society Treasurer pay the following appropriations: Royalton, Montclare, Lebanon St. Johns, and also pay into the Church-Extension Treasury the sum of \$300.

The following recommendation was made relative to the Royalton church:

WHEREAS, the late Rev. H. Dickson Lehman has in his last will and testament bequeathed to this Conference the Church property at Royalton, Pennsylvania, which was purchased by him; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we accept this bequest and comply with the conditions named in the will.

Respectfully submitted,

Z. A. WEIDLER.

The Committee on Liquidation of Conference Debts made the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LIQUIDATION OF CONFERENCE DEBTS.

We, your committee appointed to liquidate Conference debts, would report that we have paid all bills presented and that the Conference is now free of debt, excepting the missionary debt with which we had nothing to do.

Respectfully submitted,

J. X. QUIGLEY,  
 J. R. MEREDITH,  
 Z. A. WEIDLER,  
*Committee.*

On motion, the Conference ordered \$500 of the money in the Contingent Fund Treasury to be paid into the Missionary Treasury for the liquidation of the missionary debt of the Conference.

J. X. Quigley was reelected treasurer of the Contingent Fund.

The treasurer of Conference Trustees of Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, made the following report:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CONFERENCE TRUSTEES OF MT.  
PISGAH CHURCH.

*Receipts.*

Cash.....	\$323 84	
Notes.....	145 00	
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Total.....		\$468 84
No expenditure.		

*Addenda.*

Cash conditional.....	\$376 00	
Conditional notes and obligations, Mt. Pisgah congregation.....	500 00	
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Total conditional.....		\$886 00

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. B. RETTEW, *Treasurer.*

September 30, 1899.

In connection with the above, the Board of Trustees of this church (Mt. Pisgah) made the following report and recommendations:

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MT. PISGAH CHURCH.

The Conference Trustees of the Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, would respectfully recommend the following:

1. That the authorization to negotiate a loan be renewed.
2. That the trustees be instructed to erect the church at once.
3. That the pastor and other necessary assistants be authorized to canvass the Conference for funds.
4. That the pastors of the Conference agree to supply the pulpit of the church at the request of the pastor.
5. That in the event of a vacancy in the Board of Trustees, by death, resignation, or otherwise in the interval between the meetings of the Annual Conference, the remaining members of the Board be empowered to fill the vacancy.
6. That the expenses of the solicitors be paid out of the Church-Extension Treasury.
7. That S. C. Snoke, of Mt. Pisgah Church, be added to this Board of Trustees.

A. A. LONG, *Secretary.*

On motion, D. D. Lowery, A. A. Long, C. B. Rettew, H. C. Phillips, and S. C. Snoke were elected Conference Trustees of Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia.



The following resolution, relative to the borrowing of money for the erection of the new Mt. Pisgah Church at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Conference Trustees of the Mt. Pisgah Church of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, D. D. Lowery, A. A. Long, C. B. Rettew, H. C. Phillips, and S. C. Snoke, or their successors in office, are hereby authorized and empowered for us and in our stead to negotiate a loan not exceeding seven thousand dollars for the building of a church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the necessary legal papers for securing said loan.

C. B. Rettew agreed to publish the Minutes of the Conference and distribute the same to the ministers of the Conference gratuitously, which proposition was gratefully accepted by the Conference.

The Auditing Committee presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

*To the Members of the East Pennsylvania Conference:*

We, your committee on auditing the various financial reports of the Conference, beg leave to report that we have examined the accounts of Mr. E. W. S. Parthemore, Treasurer of the Branch Missionary Society, Rev. J. X. Quigley, Treasurer of the Contingent Fund, and Rev. H. C. Phillips, Treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Fund, and found the same true and correct.

G. F. BIERMAN,  
H. F. McNELLY,  
*Auditors.*

The place of holding the next Annual Conference was referred to the Presiding Elder.

A. R. Myers read the report on Young People's Christian Union which was adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON Y. P. C. U.

In this age of progress and development in which Providence in its wonderful unfoldings, its proffered opportunities, and its multiplied facilities and agencies for the world's evangelization is rolling upon the church a tremendous responsibility, especially

upon its young people, there is a stirring in the camp of Israel, such as has not been seen in eighteen hundred years; the bugle blast of the archangel is sounding in our ears; the Captain of our salvation is calling for recruits; the great day of the final conflict for the kingdom has dawned. Recognizing the necessity and importance of a proper utilization of this army of young people, organizations were effected, such as the Y. P. C. U. and Y. P. S. C. E., which, under the blessings of God, have become important factors in all church life. The young people are rallying around the standard of the Cross in a determined, aggressive spirit, with hearts brave and strong, willing to do and dare; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That we proffer our sympathetic endorsement of the young people's efforts, and tender to them our coöperation in all things pertaining to the best welfare of our beloved Zion.

2. We heartily encourage the enlistment of the young people in soul-winning, as the harvest is vast beyond the power of figures to express, which Heaven's blessed sunshine and rain has ripened to our hands.

3. With a view to developing Christian character, and an endeavor to promote the study of God's Word, we recommend the reading course as prescribed by our Church, in its denominational history and doctrines, and the systematic study of the Bible as contemplated by the course, known as the "Bible Normal Union."

4. Realizing the necessity of systematic giving, we recommend a superintendent in each society to organize a tithers' union.

5. Junior societies should be encouraged in every possible way, as such societies are needed to train and prepare for Senior work.

6. Deeming the *Watchword* as a good exponent in all departments of work for the young people we should use the best possible efforts to increase its circulation.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. MYERS, *Committee.*

The report on Sabbath Schools was read by A. L. Shannon, and adopted.

#### REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The time was when the Sunday school was looked upon as a place where only small children and very ignorant men and women met on Sunday at a stated time to receive religious instruction from the Word of God. To-day it is recognized by all intelligent persons as a place where the most learned and wise, as well as the illiterate and unwise, may be taught lessons from the Divine Word that makes them equally wise unto salvation.



To-day we see the aged, the middle-aged, the young men and maidens, youths and small children, and even infants in the arms of mothers in the Sunday school. They are there not only to be taught from the Word of God, but under the instruction of competent teachers, are led by the power of the Holy Spirit to seek and to find Christ Jesus as a sin-pardoning and all sufficient Saviour, and thus they are prepared to lay a good foundation for the development of Christian character.

WHEREAS, we recognize the supreme object of Sunday-school training to be the salvation of precious souls, growth in grace and in the knowledge of Christ,

*Resolved*, 1. That we regard the Sunday school as one of the greatest factors in the civilization and the evangelization of the world.

2. That we recommend to each school that special efforts be put forth to increase in number and interest during the coming year, and make this the most successful year in the history of the Conference for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

3. That as the work of the teacher is of the greatest importance to the individual and the Church of the future, we recommend to each school that they employ the most competent teachers possible, who will labor constantly, prayerfully, and persistently to instruct the minds of the scholars in the great truths of the Bible in a manner that shall interest and enlighten them as to their duty to God, to the Church, and their neighbor, and lead them, if possible, into fellowship with Christ and our Church.

4. That we encourage every enterprise that tends to the perfecting of the methods of teaching, such as the holding of Bible normal union conferences and Sunday-school conventions within the bounds of our Conference, and wherever possible substitute our *Bible Teacher* for the Lesson Quarterly, especially in the senior department of the schools.

5. That we recommend our Sunday-school literature as the best for our schools and our people; and believe that the use of our Church Catechism, as we have the questions in our Lesson Quarterly, to be an excellent means, by which the history, and doctrines of our Church may be taught, resulting in the development of a loyal Church spirit among our people.

6. That we recommend the adoption of the graded system wherever practicable.

7. That we disapprove of the methods adopted by some of our teachers in confining themselves to the lesson helps during the teaching of the lesson, and furthermore, the habit of collecting the lesson helps after they are through teaching, thus depriving the scholar of their benefit during the week.

8. That we accept the assessment of the Sunday-School Board, and believe it the duty of each school to pay the assessment.

That we heartily endorse the State Sabbath-School Association's work and encourage it by contributing at least one cent for each member annually.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. SHANNON, *Committee.*

The pastor of the Harrisburg Memorial Church was appointed fraternal delegate to the Conference Branch Missionary Society, which meets in annual session at the above-named place.

The following Publishing Committee for the Conference *Herald* was elected: C. B. Rettew, J. M. Shelley, J. A. Lyter, C. W. Hutsler. D. D. Lowery was elected its editor. It was further ordered that all vacancies be filled by the Board of Publication.

Revs. W. H. Ford, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Geo. Kern, of the Lutheran Church, J. W. Deshong, of the Church of God, were introduced to the Conference.

On motion, Conference adjourned, with the benediction by J. M. Shelly.

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#### FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference convened at 1:45 P.M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. A. Lyter.

The following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Preachers' Aid Fund be instructed to pay the amount appropriated to J. W. Boughter as follows: Twenty-five dollars to Mr. Hartman, of New Castle, Pa., on a note due him by Brother Boughter, and twenty-five dollars to Brother Boughter; said amounts to be regarded as aid to the brother.

The Church-Extension Society presented a resolution relative to the will of the late Rev. H. D. Lehman, which was adopted. (See report, page 31.)

The report on Resolutions was read by H. B. Dohner and adopted.



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

1. That we rejoice in the gratifying prospects of our foreign missions, that we profoundly sympathize with and devoutly pray for the missionaries who contemplate sailing for Africa October next, that we sanction the new mission that is to be projected in Porto Rico, one of our recent possessions to the United States, that we pledge our liberal support, and that we will re-double our diligence and intensify our effort to establish more permanently our home missions.

2. That we commend Hon. John D. Long, Secretary of the Interior, for publishing a voluntary order forbidding the sale or issuance of intoxicating liquors to the navy, that we congratulate the National Temperance Society, the Anti-Saloon League, and all other coördinate organizations for appointing and sending such an honorable and dignified delegation to President McKinley to request him, not only as the commander-in-chief of the army and navy, but as chief-executive of the nation, to prohibit the army canteen and to enforce the act of Congress.

3. That we express our unanimous endorsement of the administration of Lebanon Valley College, by Dr. Roop its efficient and worthy president, our utmost approval of its competent and devoted faculty, our appreciation of the trustees for their unusual activity in the business affairs. We highly appreciate the patronage of the coöperating conferences in sending so many of their sons and daughters, and we will recommend the institution to the people everywhere, and solicit their further concurrence for the continued promotion of the college.

4. That we are much gratified to have had another privilege in the presence of our honored and beloved Bishop Kephart, D.D., LL.D., and grateful for his wise counsel and edifying admonitions, for the dignity and justice with which the business was facilitated, and pray that he continue to have, in a large measure, the presence and power of the Divine Spirit, especially while in the foreign field, and trust that he may live many years to bless the Church.

5. That we extend our most cordial greetings to Dr. Faust, professor of Church History in Union Biblical Seminary, to W. R. Funk, D.D., Publishing Agent, and to W. M. Bell, D.D., General Missionary Secretary, for the visits with which they favored us, and express our great pleasure for the enthusiasm they have manifested in the various interests they have the honor of representing, and reaffirm our hearty support, and invite them to come again.

6. That we, the ministers of the Conference, will give greater recognition and put a higher estimate upon the ability and loyalty of the laity.

7. That we continue our high appreciation and tender our sincere thanks to Brother C. B. Rettew for again publishing our Minutes without compensation for himself and without expense to the Conference.

8. That we tender a vote of thanks to the different railroad companies who have favored us during the year with clerical permits and granted reduced fares to and from Conference.

9. That we are grateful to the newspapers for having published the proceedings of Conference so promptly and extensively.

10. That we express our hearty thanks for the associations and hospitality of the citizens of Columbia which we were permitted to enjoy.

11. That we bow with profound gratitude and humble submission before the Almighty for his tender mercies toward us during another year, that we are very conscious of greater spirituality, that we will more fully perceive the agency of the Holy Spirit in our own individual lives, and in the conversion of precious souls.

H. B. DOHNER, *Committee.*

The claims of the Quarterly Review were presented to the Conference by Dr. Faust.

Mrs. E. A. G. Bossler presented to the Conference the greetings of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Conference in a very timely and forcible address, to which response was made on the part of the Conference by G. F. Bierman.

The memorial service was then commenced, and the following papers were read, and addresses made by C. W. Hutsler and Bishop Kephart.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Rev. Joseph B. Daugherty was born at Williamsport, Pa., on the 18th of December, 1826, and died at his home near Lebanon, Pa., May 3, 1899, aged seventy-two years, four months, and fifteen days.

He embraced Christ and united with the Church of the United Brethren in Christ in early youth, and at twenty-one years of age began preaching the gospel.

He was received into the East Pennsylvania Conference as a licentiate in 1856, and was ordained to the eldership by Bishop Glossbrenner in the year 1859, and since then the greater part of his life was given to the Church of his choice, as appears from the following partially gleaned record of his life: In 1856 he served Hummelstown Circuit; 1857, Union Mission; 1858, Amity Mission; 1859-60, Highspire Circuit; 1861-62, Lancaster Circuit;



1863-65, Lebanon Station; 1866, Columbia Station; 1867-68, Schuylkill Haven Station; 1869, presiding elder of Lebanon District. In 1870, when the East German (now Eastern) Conference was formed, he became presiding elder of that Conference, and in this connection the following record was gleaned: From 1873-75 he served Allentown Station; 1878, Union Circuit; 1882-83, Grantville Circuit; 1884-86, presiding elder of Susquehanna District.

In 1888 he again united with the East Pennsylvania Conference and served Oberlin Station till 1890. From 1893 to 1896 Lebanon Circuit, and then sustained a supernumerary relation to the close of his earthly life, preaching frequently, as occasion called or served. As a preacher he stood among the brethren who were in the front rank, having been fluent in both German and English. His sermons were characterized by intelligent thoughtfulness and devotion, and were delivered with considerable unction. He proved himself a faithful servant of the Church in every department in which he was called to labor.

In 1865, he with Revs. G. A. Mark and A. Strickler, of sainted memory, represented the East Pennsylvania Conference at General Conference, held at Western, Iowa.

Although his strength failed in later life, his interest in the cause of Christ did not decline. Only a short time before he died he said to his son, "Oh, I wish I were ten years younger; how I should delight to engage in the active work."

We cherish him in memory as an exemplary Christian minister, a devoted and unselfish brother, a kind and affectionate husband and father; and we pray that the bereaved family, to whom we hereby sincerely express united sympathy, may have the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit; and that we may all be guided into "the rest that remaineth for the people of God," and there forget the sorrows and cares of this life in the exceeding fulness of the joys of that life, while we are at home with God and each other forevermore.

M. J. MUMMA, *Committee.*

The Rev. Harry Dickson Lehman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Lehman, was born at West Fairview, Pa., March 11, 1863, and died at Royalton, Pa., July 11, 1899, aged 36 years and 4 months. His parents afterward moved to Harrisburg, where Harry received a liberal education in the city schools. When but a youth he was converted to God in the old Boas Street (now Memorial) United Brethren Church in Harrisburg. He united with the Church and soon became an active member. After taking a course in Union Biblical Seminary at Dayton, Ohio, he was appointed to Mt. Pisgah Church, Philadelphia, in the spring of 1886, where he remained for two years and served the charge

with acceptability and success. He was next appointed to Royalton, where he enjoyed a most successful pastorate until 1892, when he was transferred to Otterbein Church, Reading, where he remained three years. His pastorate in Reading was characterized by his well-known and untiring energy, and at the close of it the first evidences of failing health appeared.

During the session of annual Conference he was busy as usual in serving on committees and corresponding for daily papers, and, at the earnest solicitation of the people of Royalton, was appointed to the charge. His failing health, however, prevented him from serving the charge. At the next annual Conference he



REV. HARRY DICKSON LEHMAN.

had so far regained his health that he was reappointed to Royalton, where he served most faithfully and successfully until

“Tranquil amid alarms  
Death found him on the field,  
A veteran slumbering on his arms,  
Beneath the Red Cross shield.”

His funeral was largely attended. Twenty-eight ministers of the East Pennsylvania Conference and a number of ministers of other denominations were present. His remains were laid away in the beautiful East Harrisburg cemetery to await the coming of the Lord. To his bereaved widow and orphaned children we extend our most heartfelt sympathies. We miss him. Farewell, brother, we 'll meet again in the morning.

H. C. PHILLIPS,  
G. W. M. RIGOR,  
*Committee.*



On motion, the secretaries were voted ten dollars each for services, and also it was ordered that the bill for programs and stationery be paid, these amounts to be paid out of the Contingent Fund.

On motion, it was ordered that the final adjournment of Conference take place at the close of the religious services on Sunday, October 1, 1899.

The Bishop then announced the Standing Committees for the year :

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR.

*On Missions*—J. X. Quigley.

*On Church Erection*—G. W. M. Rigor.

*On Publishing Interests*—C. W. Hutsler.

*On Education*—S. D. Faust.

*On Sabbath Schools*—M. E. Bachman.

*On Young People's Christian Union*—A. L. Shannon.

*On Moral Reform*—J. G. Smoker.

*On Auditing Reports*—G. F. Bierman and H. F. McNelly.

*On Resolutions*—J. R. Meredith.

*On Courses of Reading.*

*First Year*—A. A. Long, H. B. Dohner, M. J. Mumma.  
*Licentiates*, E. S. Nissley, H. H. Hoffer, A. K. Weir.

*Second Year*—C. I. B. Brane, D. S. Eshelman, J. M. Shelly.  
*Licentiates*, M. M. Weber and I. M. Hershey.

*Third Year*—J. A. Lyter, E. Ludwick, and S. C. Enck.

*Special Treasurers.*

*Missionary*—E. W. S. Parthemore.

*Contingent Fund*—J. X. Quigley.

*Preacher's Aid*—H. C. Phillips.

*Bishop's Collection, Educational Beneficiary, Union Biblical Seminary, General Sunday-School Fund, Church Erection, Conference Church Extension, and Lebanon Valley College*—C. B. Rettew.

Helen Harris addressed the Conference relative to the Philadelphia church.

The following resolution was adopted :

WHEREAS, H. B. Dohner has accepted the field secretaryship of Lebanon Valley College, we pledge our hearty coöperation, will invite him to our fields of labor, and assist him to the best of our ability in the work represented.

J. M. SHELLY.

A. R. MYERS.

Bishop Kephart addressed the Conference relative to the work of the Stationing Committee, and ministerial success or failure.

Minutes of to-day's sessions read and approved. On motion, adjourned, with benediction by G. W. M. Rigor.

The report of the Stationing Committee was read by Bishop Kephart at the close of the Sabbath morning service.

REPORT OF STATIONING COMMITTEE.

*Conference District—D. D. Lowery, Presiding Elder.*

Annville Station, D. S. Eshelman.  
 Centerville, I. N. Seldomridge.  
 Columbia Station, S. C. Enck.  
 Harrisburg Circuit, H. H. Hoffer.  
 Ephrata Station, U. S. G. Renn.  
 Fishburn Circuit, M. M. Weber.  
 Florin Station, H. M. Miller.  
 Grantville Circuit, P. A. Bowman.  
 Halifax, I. M. Hershey.  
 Harrisburg Memorial, A. A. Long.  
 Harrisburg Derry Street, J. A. Lyter.  
 Highspire Station, A. L. Shannon.  
 Hummelstown Station, E. O. Burtner.  
 Intercourse Station, W. Beach.  
 Jacksonville Circuit, M. J. Mumma.  
 Lancaster Covenant, E. A. G. Bossler.  
 Lebanon Trinity, C. I. B. Brane.  
 Lebanon St. Johns, L. R. Kramer.  
 Lititz, C. G. F. Miller.  
 Manheim Station, M. E. Bachman.  
 Marietta, G. C. K. Sample.  
 Manor Circuit, S. G. Kauffman.  
 Middletown Station, E. Ludwick.  
 Mount Joy Station, J. M. Shelley.  
 Mount Joy Circuit, S. L. Rhoads.  
 Montclare Station, J. F. Smith.  
 Mountville Station, J. T. Shaffer.  
 New Holland Station, J. G. Smoker.  
 Oberlin Station, M. A. Salt.  
 Paradise Station, G. F. Bierman.  
 Penbrook Station, Z. A. Weidler.  
 Pequea Station, N. A. Kiracofe.  
 Pottstown Mission, H. F. McNelly.  
 Philadelphia, Mt. Pisgah, H. C. Phillips.



Philadelphia, St. Paul, T. Whittles.  
Philadelphia, Central Mission Station, C. W. Hutsler.  
Reading, Otterbein, J. R. Meredith.  
Royalton Mission Station, G. W. M. Rigor.  
Schaefferstown Station, W. W. Fridinger.  
Steelton Station, A. R. Myers.  
St. Johns, A. K. Weir.  
Springfield Station, T. Garland.

S. D. Faust, D.D., Professor in Union Biblical Seminary.  
E. Light, Chaplain National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio.  
H. U. Roop, Ph.D., President Lebanon Valley College.  
H. B. Dohner, Financial Secretary Lebanon Valley College.

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## EVENING AND SABBATH SERVICES.

On Wednesday evening Bishop Kephart preached an able sermon on "Opportunities," based on Luke 8:18 and Hebrews 2:3. The ordinance of the holy communion was administered to the members of Conference and all other Christians. It was the largest communion service held in connection with our Conference session.

Church-erection interests were considered on Thursday evening. The report on this important work of the Church was prepared and read by M. A. Salt. A very eloquent address was then made by Rev. C. I. B. Brane, ex-secretary of the Church-Erection Society.

Friday evening was devoted to the missionary cause. J. G. Smoker prepared a very strong report on Missions. Dr. W. M. Bell, General Church Missionary Secretary delighted, entertained, instructed, and enthused the large audience present.

The Young People's and Sabbath-School anniversaries were held on Saturday evening. A. L. Shannon prepared the report on Sabbath Schools, and was followed by an address by N. A. Kiracofe. The report on the Y. P. C. U., prepared by A. R. Myers, was followed by an address by H. F. McNelly.

The Sabbath services opened with a prayer and praise meeting led by J. F. Smith.

Bishop Kephart then preached an able sermon from Matt. 7: 21, to the edification of all present.

The Sabbath school was addressed by E. O. Burtner, S. L. Rhoads, U. S. G. Renn, and S. G. Kauffman.

This being the centennial session of our Conference the evening service was devoted to addresses on East Pennsylvania Conference: Past, G. W. M. Rigor; Present, M. J. Mumma, Future, J. R. Meredith.

All of the addresses were hopeful and helpful, and inspired all to enter more aggressively than ever upon the threshold of another century, whose history will be told while we sleep in Jesus or wake to be with him in the full fruition of eternal life.

Z. A. WEIDLER, *Recording Secretary.*

E. A. G. BOSSLER, *Statistical Secretary.*

E. B. KEPHART, *Bishop.*

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## CAMP-MEETINGS.

### MT. GRETNA.

The Mt. Gretna Camp-Meeting Association will hold its sixth annual session August 7-16, 1900. The camp has been pronounced by those knowing well the interests of our Church the largest of all our camps. It is well located on the C. & L. Railroad, and possesses every convenience that could be desired—the best spring water, electric lights, a neat chapel, dormitory, large auditorium, and boarding-hall. Good boarding will be furnished at \$4.50 for the season, \$1 per day, or 50 cents per meal.

For further particulars, address either Mr. W. H. Ulrich, Hummelstown, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, or D. M. Weidman, Lititz, Pennsylvania.



## SEA GROVE.

*Location.*—This resort and camp-ground is located at Cape May Point, New Jersey, two miles south of Cape May City, and a short distance from where the steamer lands its daily excursions for three months during the summer. You can easily reach the grounds from these points by trolley cars, which stop at the camp-grounds when conductor is notified.

*Grounds Opened.*—It has been resolved that the Sea Grove camp-grounds will be opened early in the season of 1900.

*Time of Camp for 1900.*—For the season of 1900 the camp-meeting services will commence Friday evening, August 11, and close Sunday evening, August 26, 1900.

*Grove.*—The grove, though small, is a model of beauty and adaption to camp-meeting purposes, and no fitter “temple of nature” can be found anywhere in which to worship nature’s God.

*Pavilion.*—An excellent pavilion, 50 x 60 feet, erected on the camp-ground, affords ample shelter in time of rain. It is floored entirely, which adds to the comfort of the worshipers.

*Office and Information.*—The office of the company for this season will be located at 3028 North Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Persons desiring information about this resort and camp can obtain it by applying there, or addressing Sea Grove Camp Association, 3028 North Ninth Street Philadelphia, Pa.

## ALPHABETICAL ROLL OF MEMBERS.

## MINISTERS.

Entered Ministry.	Present Relation.	Classification.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	COUNTY.	State.
1894	E	It	Bachman, M. E. ...	Manheim.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1889	E	It	Beach, William...	Intercourse.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1873	E	It	Bowman, P. A. ....	Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1888	E	It	Bossler, E. A. G. ...	Lancaster.....	Lancaster....	Pa
1870	E	Sy	Boughter, J. W. ...	Royalton.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1891	E	It	Bierman, G. F. ....	Clay.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
.....	E	It	Brane, C. I. B. ....	Lebanon.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1895	E	It	Burtner, E. O. ...	Hummelstown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
.....	E	Sy	Denlinger, H. T. ...	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1875	E	Sy	Dietrich, P. E. ....	1015 N. Third St., Harrisburg	Dauphin.....	Pa
1878	E	It	Dohner, H. B. ....	Bellegrove.. ..	Lebanon.....	Pa
1861	E	Sd	*Early, D. S. ....	Sixth & Kelker, Harrisburg..	Dauphin.....	Pa
1888	E	It	Enck, S. C. ....	Columbia.....	Lancaster....	Pa
.....	E	Sy	Enders, G. W. ...	Enders.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1891	E	It	Eshelman, D. S. ...	Annville.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1885	E	It	Faust, S. D., D.D.	Dayton (U. B. Seminary).....	Montgomery..	Ohio
1893	E	It	Fridinger, W. W. ...	Sbaefferstown.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1871	E	Sy	Funk, J. B. ....	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1871	E	It	Garland, Thomas	Bluerock....	Chester.....	Pa
1875	E	Sy	Groff, I. M. ....	New Holland.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1898	L	Ll	Hershey, I. M. ....	Halifax.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1899	L	Ll	Hoffer, H. H. ....	Linglestown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1890	E	It	Hutsler, C. W. ....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia.	Pa
1891	E	It	Kauffman, S. G. ..	Millersville.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1893	E	It	Kiracofe, N. A. ....	Pequea.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1880	E	It	Kramer, L. R. ....	Lebanon.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1885	L	Ll	*Kurtz, J. H. ....	Room 11, U'n Depot, Pittsb'g	Allegheny.....	Pa
1855	E	Sy	*Light, E., D.D....	Nat'l Mil. Home, Dayton.....	Montgomery..	Ohio
1879	E	It	Lowery, D. D. ...	Derry & 16th Sts., Harrisburg	Dauphin.....	Pa
1878	E	It	Ludwick, E. ....	Middletown .. ..	Dauphin.....	Pa
1890	E	It	Long, A. A. ....	258 Herr St., Harrisburg. ....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1888	E	It	Lyter, J. A. ....	1508 Derry Street, Harrisburg	Dauphin.....	Pa
1869	E	It	Meredith, J. R. ....	519 N. Ninth St., Reading.....	Berks.....	Pa
1892	E	It	Miller, C. G. F. ....	Millersville.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1889	E	It	Miller, H. M. ....	Florin.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1870	E	It	Mumma, M. J. ...	Enders.. ..	Dauphin.. ..	Pa
1890	E	It	McNelly, H. F. ....	Pottstown.. ..	Montgomery..	Pa
1893	E	It	Myers, A. R. ....	Steelton.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1898	L	Ll	Nissley, E. S. ....	Middletown .. ..	Dauphin.. ..	Pa
1873	E	It	Phillips, H. C. ...	3028 N. 9th St., Philadelphia	Philadelphia.	Pa
1878	E	Sy	Quigley, J. X. ....	263 Boas St., Harrisburg.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1888	E	It	Renn, U. S. G. ....	Ephrata.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1895	E	It	Rhoads, S. L. ....	Mt. Joy.....	Lancaster....	Pa
1854	E	It	Rigor, G. W. M. ...	Royalton.....	Dauphin.. ..	Pa
1893	E	Ll	Roop, H. U. ....	Annville.....	Lebanon.....	Pa
1880	E	It	Salt, M. A. ....	Oberlin.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1886	E	It	Shannon, A. L. ....	Highspire.....	Dauphin.. ..	Pa
1891	E	It	*Shaeffer, G. L. ....	New Haven.....	New Haven ...	Conn
1889	E	It	Shelly, J. M. ....	Mt. Joy.....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1888	E	It	Smith, J. F. ....	Montclare.....	Montgomery..	Pa

E, Elder; L, Licentiate; It, Itinerant; Sy, Supernumerary; Sd, Superannuated; Ll, Local; \* Absent.



## ALPHABETICAL ROLL OF MEMBERS—MINISTERS CONTINUED.

Entered Ministry.	Present Relation.	Classification.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	COUNTY.	State.
1883	E	It	Smoker, J. G.....	New Holland .....	Lancaster....	Pa
1874	E	Sy	*Steiner, J. G.....	Knoxville .....	Tioga.....	Pa
1871	E	Sy	Swartz, S. L.....	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1895	L	It	Weber, M. M.....	Middletown.....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1881	E	It	Weidler, Z. A.....	Penbrook .....	Dauphin.....	Pa
1899	L	Ll	Weir, A. K. ....	Gordonville .....	Lancaster.....	Pa
1844	E	Sd	Young, Joseph....	Annville.....	Lebanon.....	Pa

## LAY DELEGATES.

CHARGE REPRESENTED.	NAME.	ADDRESS.
Annville Station.....	S. B. Grabill.....	Annville, Pa
Columbia Station.....	S. P. Black. ....	Columbia, Pa
Centerville Station.....	Mamie Baker.....	Rohrerstown, Pa
Ephrata Station.....	Charles S. Yeager.....	Ephrata, Pa
Florin Circuit.....	H. L. Stoll. ....	Florin, Pa
Fishburn Circuit .....	H. L. Hocker .....	Middletown, Pa
Grantville Circuit. ....	Jno. W. Baker.....	Union Deposit, Pa
Harrisburg Circuit.....	S. A. Miller. ....	Linglestown, Pa
Harrisburg Memorial.....	A. B. Dietrich.....	Harrisburg, Pa
Harrisburg Derry Street .....	D. Runkle.....	Harrisburg, Pa
Halifax Mission.....	W. B. Nace .....	Halifax, Pa
Highspire Station.....	J. O. S. Poorman.....	Highspire, Pa
Hummelstown Station.....	W. H. Ulrich. ....	Hummelstown, Pa
Intercourse Station.....	J. E. Elwerth .....	Intercourse, Pa
Jacksonville Circuit .....	H. R. Shoop.. ....	Enders, Pa
Lancaster Station.....	J. B. Withers .....	Lancaster, Pa
Lebanon Station.....	J. B. Hursh .....	Lebanon, Pa
Lebanon Circuit .....	J. M. Boger .....	Lebanon, Pa
Lititz Mission.....	H. F. Hostetter.....	Lititz, Pa
Manheim Station.....	C. H. Young.....	Manheim, Pa
Manor Circuit.....	Isaiah Hess.....	Safe Harbor, Pa
Middletown Station.....	Charles Orth.....	Middletown, Pa
Mt. Joy Station.....	S. N. Eby. ....	Mt. Joy, Pa
Mt. Joy Circuit.....	C. M. Brenneman.....	Mt. Joy, Pa
Montclare and Pottstown.....	H. E. Lau .....	Montclare, Pa
Mountville Station .....	J. H. Witmer .....	Mountville, Pa
New Holland Station .....	J. M. Hoover.....	New Holland, Pa
Oberlin Station.....	A. H. Shope.....	Oberlin, Pa
Paradise Station .....	J. P. Miller.....	Clay, Pa
Pequea Station.....	J. H. Robinson .....	Blackhorse, Pa
Penbrook Station.....	Wm. Hershey.....	Penbrook, Pa
Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah.. ....	Helen Harris.....	Philadelphia, Pa
Philadelphia Central .....	T. L. Warfel.....	Philadelphia, Pa
Philadelphia St. Paul's .....	*C. Lütchendorf.....	Philadelphia, Pa
Reading Otterbein.....	Theodore Deysher.....	Reading, Pa
Royalton Station.....	Y. E. Crick.....	Royalton, Pa
Shaefferstown Circuit.....	A. H. Schenk.....	Shaefferstown, Pa
Steelton Station.....	W. H. Hotz .....	Steelton, Pa
St. Johns Station.....	B. F. Herr.....	Soudersburg, Pa
Springfield Circuit .....	S. C. Millard.....	Birdsboro, Pa

\* Absent.

## STATISTICAL TABLES.

FIELD OF LABOR.	NAME OF PREACHER.	CHS.		MEMBERS.			
		Appointments.	Organized Churches.	At Beginning of Year.	Received.	Deaths.	All Other Losses.
Annville Station .....	D. S. Eshelman .....	1	1	299	12	1	17
Centerville Station.....	A. R. Myers .....	1	1	81	2	.....	1
Columbia Station.....	S. C. Enck.....	1	1	528	19	7	47
Harrisburg Circuit.....	William Beach.....	4	4	227	15	2	11
Ephrata Station.....	U. S. G. Renn.....	1	1	137	31	3	4
Fishburn Circuit.....	P. A. Bowman .....	4	4	260	3	6	6
Florin Circuit. ....	M. A. Salt.....	2	2	247	3	3	9
Grantville Circuit .....	M. M. Weber.....	4	4	313	4	5	4
Halifax.....	I. Moyer Hershey.....	3	3	180	26	2	21
Harrisburg Memorial .....	A. A. Long .....	1	1	348	39	5	11
Harrisburg Derry Street....	C. W. Hutsler .....	1	1	339	55	3	25
Highspire Station .....	A. L. Shannon .....	1	1	195	37	2	6
Hummelstown Station.....	J. A. Lyter.....	1	1	197	6	3	20
Intercourse Station.....	H. M. Miller .....	2	2	184	12	2	5
Jacksonville Circuit.....	M. J. Mumma.....	5	5	233	10	4	26
Lancaster Covenant.....	E. A. G. Bossler.....	1	1	351	40	6	14
Lebanon Trinity.....	C. I. B. Brane.....	1	1	291	14	2	33
Lebanon Circuit.....	L. R. Kramer.....	3	2	132	42	2	2
Lititz Mission.....	C. G. F. Miller.....	4	4	155	10	.....	20
Manheim Station.....	M. E. Bachman.....	2	2	273	56	2	12
Manor Circuit .....	S. G. Kauffman. ....	4	4	288	24	4	7
Middletown Station .....	E. Ludwick. ....	1	1	235	13	3	14
Mount Joy Station.. ..	H. F. McNelly .....	1	1	120	3	2	4
Mount Joy Circuit ..	S. L. Rhoads .....	4	4	144	31	2	3
Montclare & Pottstown Sta.	H. H. Hoffer .....	2	2	105	2	.....	3
Mountville Station.. ..	J. T. Shaffer .....	1	1	175	2	.....	6
New Holland Station.....	J. G. Smoker .....	2	2	320	7	6	12
Oberlin Station.....	J. F. Smith.....	1	1	217	27	3	9
Paradise Station.....	G. F. Bierman .....	1	1	123	40	2	7
Pequea Station. ....	N. A. Kiracofe .....	2	2	187	12	4	23
Penbrook Station. ....	Z. A. Weidler.....	1	1	230	7	3	3
Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah....	H. C. Phillips.....	1	1	138	12	.....	38
Philadelphia St. Paul .....	Pres. Elder & H. C. Phillips	1	1	25	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia Cent. Mis. Sta	E. O. Burtner.....	1	1	12	8	.....	1
Reading Otterbein .....	J. R. Meredith .....	1	1	162	21	3	13
Royalton Mission.....	J. K. Henry, H. D. Lehman..	2	2	195	..	4	25
Shaefferstown Station.....	W. W. Fredinger.....	2	2	94	18	1	8
Steelton Station .....	J. M. Shelly.....	1	1	404	28	3	28
St. Johns Station.....	G. W. M. Rigor .....	1	1	190	30	4	25
Springfield Station.....	T. Garland .....	3	3	200	4	.....	29
Marietta .....	George C. K. Sample .....	1	1	42	2	.....	2
Total.....		77	76	8,576	727	105	553



MEMBERS.			Y. P. C. U.			SABBATH SCHOOLS.					LITERATURE.				
Members at End of Year.	Increase.	Decrease.	No. of Young People's Societies.	No. of Members.	No. of Junior Societies.	No. of Members.	No. of Sabbath Schools.	No. of Scholars Enrolled.	No. of Teachers and Officers.	No. of Libraries.	No. of Volumes.	Religious Telescopes.	Quarterly Reviews.	Watchwords.	Our Bible Teachers.
293	.....	6	1	101	.....	.....	1	425	40	1	213	41	5	12	.....
82	1	.....	1	73	1	70	1	151	9	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....
493	.....	35	1	150	1	80	1	475	40	.....	.....	26	.....	23	.....
229	2	.....	1	19	.....	.....	4	394	45	4	470	3	1	2	.....
161	24	.....	1	44	1	66	1	288	15	.....	.....	15	.....	57	12
251	.....	9	1	75	.....	.....	4	300	57	2	240	15	.....	.....	10
238	.....	9	2	68	2	42	2	210	33	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	1
308	.....	5	3	80	.....	.....	4	463	60	.....	.....	18	.....	36	20
183	3	.....	1	35	.....	.....	3	302	40	1	85	12	.....	22	.....
371	23	.....	1	75	1	65	1	419	52	1	570	34	2	2	35
366	27	.....	1	95	1	45	1	498	43	1	384	28	1	31	37
224	29	.....	1	75	1	43	1	304	23	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	15
180	.....	17	1	59	1	42	1	244	28	.....	.....	28	1	11	18
189	5	.....	2	115	1	13	2	199	28	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	10
213	.....	20	3	108	.....	.....	5	339	50	.....	.....	18	.....	11	7
371	20	.....	1	100	1	70	1	300	16	.....	.....	18	1	61	.....
270	.....	21	1	55	1	40	1	350	35	.....	.....	15	1	5	.....
170	38	.....	1	29	1	53	3	421	55	.....	.....	16	1	.....	8
145	.....	10	4	142	.....	.....	4	321	53	1	120	13	.....	8	2
315	42	.....	1	86	1	73	2	338	40	.....	.....	10	.....	1	11
301	13	.....	1	51	.....	.....	4	440	55	.....	.....	15	.....	2	.....
231	.....	4	1	110	1	47	1	259	20	1	90	11	1	20	18
117	.....	3	1	60	.....	.....	1	250	20	.....	.....	30	1	.....	.....
170	26	.....	3	129	.....	.....	4	270	72	1	100	14	1	.....	3
104	.....	1	2	117	.....	.....	2	165	20	1	240	6	.....	.....	.....
171	.....	4	1	53	1	45	1	262	15	1	396	18	3	.....	35
309	.....	11	2	73	1	26	2	258	31	1	103	34	.....	38	6
232	15	.....	1	65	1	86	1	298	14	1	100	25	.....	.....	6
154	31	.....	1	64	.....	.....	1	230	8	1	300	12	.....	12	1
172	.....	15	2	85	.....	.....	2	176	30	.....	.....	11	.....	2	5
231	1	.....	1	42	.....	.....	1	304	30	1	280	12	1	.....	15
112	.....	26	1	35	1	25	1	245	23	1	240	5	1	4	13
25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	50	5	1	260	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	7	.....	1	18	.....	.....	1	32	7	.....	.....	4	.....	2	5
167	5	.....	1	40	.....	.....	1	249	24	1	300	6	.....	.....	18
166	.....	29	2	61	.....	.....	2	270	27	.....	.....	3	1	.....	15
103	9	.....	1	44	.....	.....	2	300	35	.....	.....	11	1	10	6
401	.....	3	1	51	1	58	1	485	59	.....	.....	31	.....	1	30
191	1	.....	1	75	1	10	1	150	22	1	376	12	1	.....	5
175	.....	25	3	145	.....	.....	3	213	31	1	83	9	1	6	.....
42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	128	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8,645	322	253	56	2,902	21	999	77	11,775	1,322	24	4,950	631	25	379	367

FIELD OF LABOR.	LITERATURE.						FINANCE.		
	Lesson Quarter- lies.	Children's Friends.	Children's Visitors.	Lessons for Lit- tle Ones.	Woman's Evangels.	Search Lights.	Pastor's Salary.	Presiding Elder's Salary.	For Church, Par- sonage, and Lo- cal Current Ex- penses.
Annville Station.. ..	300			85	44	3	\$850 00	\$58 00	\$1,364 77
Centerville Station ...	70			40	13		200 00	16 00	262 37
Columbia Station .....	275			125	23	1	978 00	52 00	2,219 16
Harrisburg Circuit...	160	60					463 00	31 00	424 00
Ephrata Station .. ..	225	100	100	75	10	3	580 00	33 00	614 95
Fishburn Circuit.. ..	350			85	1	2	475 00	36 00	115 00
Florin Circuit... ..	100	45	40	110			651 41	36 00	134 88
Grantville Circuit.....	300			70			475 00	38 00	324 99
Halifax.....	225			105	1	1	406 81	28 00	197 80
Harrisburg Memorial	360			75	75	2	1,170 00	58 00	1,751 63
Harrisburg Derry St..	300				90	12	900 00	38 00	1,255 91
Highspire Station.....	175			100		14	650 00	36 00	800 00
Hummelstown Sta....	200	140			17	12	700 00	33 00	440 94
Intercourse Station...	165			60		1	450 00	27 00	371 98
Jacksonville Circuit..	305			70	2	2	430 00	38 00	180 00
Lancaster Covenant..	300			50	12	3	850 00	36 00	212 77
Lebanon Trinity.....	220			90	22	10	950 00	33 00	555 00
Lebanon Circuit.....	185			65			466 00	16 00	331 58
Lititz Mission.....	250		50	120	6	17	625 00	24 00	220 64
Manheim Station .....	212	60			3		600 00	33 00	307 00
Manor Circuit.....	345			130	1	2	500 00	33 00	572 71
Middletown Station..	200			50	11		670 00	33 00	566 75
Mount Joy Station....	175	100		75	9	1	620 00	33 00	184 12
Mount Joy Circuit....	300			100			509 00	33 00	289 73
Montclare & Pottst'n	120	60		70		1	403 00	11 00	254 00
Mountville Station....	175				17	12	700 00	36 00	1,283 80
New Holland Station	200	85	45	45	4		575 00	36 00	395 21
Oberlin Station .....	300			75	1		584 00	30 00	635 95
Paradise Station.....	120			50	20		500 00	25 00	192 55
Pequea Station .....	160	100		70			565 00	30 00	400 00
Penbrook Station.....	225			60	7		600 00	30 00	128 00
Phila. Mt. Pisgah .....	125	155			1	1	464 00	27 00	216 73
Phila. St. Paul.....							60 00	18 00	69 75
Phila. Cent. Mis. Sta.	25			5			78 00	4 00	265 00
Reading Otterbein....	125			80	6		736 00	40 00	725 00
Royalton Mission Sta	150			60		1	283 37	12 00	
Shaefferstown Sta....	195			112	5		502 50	16 00	560 70
Steelton Station.....	430	270	270	125	18		906 00	38 00	2,264 33
St. Johns Station.....	125			30	1		350 00	25 00	685 60
Springfield Station....	90	40	40	90	1		445 00	20 00	175 00
Marietta .....	160	200					30 00		9 00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>8,442</b>	<b>1,415</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>\$22,951 09</b>	<b>\$1,230 00</b>	<b>\$21,959 30</b>



FINANCE.

New Churches.	New Parsonages.	Collected for Local S. S. Purposes.	Gen. Collection for Missions.	Thank-Offering for Missions	Special for Missions.	Woman's Missionary Association.	Sabbath Schools for Missions.	Y. P. C. U. for Missions.
.....	.....	\$171 95	\$100 00	\$36 21	\$67 31	\$271 11	\$81 39	\$5 31
.....	.....	79 41	34 32	.....	.....	59 83	.....	4 00
.....	.....	387 73	254 24	6 47	.....	137 33	45 00	15 00
.....	.....	100 00	35 00	.....	7 00	.....	42 00	.....
.....	.....	159 56	80 50	6 75	3 05	42 70	3 05	.....
.....	.....	150 00	41 00	.....	14 50	8 80	8 80	.....
.....	.....	88 62	35 00	.....	74 00	.....	9 00	1 00
.....	.....	198 89	46 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	147 27	33 67	1 33	.....	.....	8 90	2 52
.....	.....	267 31	121 39	42 18	152 09	394 90	80 47	123 86
.....	.....	284 14	55 00	12 71	6 00	95 20	10 00	5 00
.....	.....	118 00	25 00	12 00	4 26	38 46	8 08	1 40
.....	.....	144 38	65 00	18 25	31 00	167 57	.....	.....
.....	.....	86 74	22 50	.....	4 96	.....	4 48	30
.....	.....	63 64	23 25	12 75	.....	.....	5 00	.....
.....	\$100 00	84 17	150 00	53 00	259 00	385 82	29 00	10 75
.....	.....	78 25	400 00	40 00	35 00	116 76	.....	.....
.....	.....	283 42	10 00	2 25	.....	.....	2 02	.....
.....	.....	118 50	51 30	12 68	.....	26 75	.....	.....
.....	.....	106 00	25 00	2 00	14 00	35 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	205 11	16 00	9 13	60 00	5 00	9 00	2 00
.....	.....	248 00	30 00	.....	.....	55 26	8 00	5 00
.....	.....	145 43	20 00	3 30	5 00	25 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	69 36	32 91	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	70 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	118 66	124 50	16 72	7 96	177 19	29 50	7 96
.....	.....	139 77	48 15	.....	20 49	21 00	20 49	.....
.....	.....	97 41	11 00	28 59	100 00	.....	5 00	5 00
.....	.....	61 84	27 41	7 25	2 60	45 00	5 07	1 40
.....	.....	70 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	108 48	40 00	.....	.....	38 61	.....	.....
.....	.....	166 82	60 00	9 05	10 00	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
\$362 65	.....	20 41	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	125 87	25 00	4 00	.....	89 45	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1,946 00	.....	89 47	20 00	8 00	8 03	.....	2 09	.....
.....	37 50	312 64	50 00	15 00	25 02	105 96	.....	25 02
.....	.....	60 68	16 03	4 00	.....	.....	5 00	6 78
.....	.....	75 00	20 00	.....	.....	1 00	4 50	4 00
.....	.....	22 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>\$2,308 65</b>	<b>\$137 50</b>	<b>\$5,400 36</b>	<b>\$1,819 20</b>	<b>\$333 62</b>	<b>\$911 27</b>	<b>\$2,349 70</b>	<b>\$425 84</b>	<b>\$226 30</b>

## FINANCE.

FIELD OF LABOR.	Total for Missions.	Church Erection, Assessment.	Church Erection, Special.	Sabbath - School General Fund.	Children's Day Collection.	Bishop's Salary.	Preachers' Aid.
Annville Station.....	\$474 63	\$34 00	.....	\$9 00	.....	\$18 00	\$11 00
Centerville Station.....	94 15	8 00	.....	2 00	.....	4 00	2 00
Columbia Station.....	398 04	20 00	.....	17 00	.....	12 00	8 00
Harrisburg Circuit.....	42 00	8 00	.....	6 00	.....	7 00	4 00
Ephrata Station.....	133 00	12 00	\$5 00	4 00	\$5 00	7 00	6 00
Fishburn Circuit.....	64 30	10 00	.....	8 00	.....	7 00	8 00
Florin Circuit.....	109 00	15 00	.....	4 00	.....	9 00	4 00
Grantville Circuit.....	46 03	8 00	.....	4 00	.....	10 00	6 00
Halifax.....	35 00	12 00	.....	4 00	6 71	5 00	3 00
Harrisburg Memorial.....	710 56	34 00	.....	11 00	5 00	18 00	11 00
Harrisburg Derry Street...	168 91	15 00	25 00	7 00	.....	10 00	7 00
Highspire Station.....	85 72	15 00	.....	5 00	.....	8 00	4 00
Hummelstown Station.....	281 82	12 00	.....	5 00	.....	8 00	8 00
Intercourse Station.....	27 46	9 00	.....	6 00	.....	6 00	3 00
Jacksonville Circuit.....	44 00	6 00	.....	3 50	2 41	7 00	4 00
Lancaster Covenant.....	847 82	12 00	.....	7 00	8 40	10 00	6 00
Lebanon Trinity.....	201 76	16 00	20 00	.....	.....	12 00	6 00
Lebanon Circuit.....	16 25	5 00	.....	3 00	.....	5 00	2 00
Lititz Mission.....	90 73	3 00	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	2 00
Manheim Station.....	76 00	12 00	.....	9 00	.....	7 00	3 00
Manor Circuit.....	90 13	15 00	.....	5 00	22 45	7 00	3 00
Middletown Station.....	85 26	14 00	.....	3 00	.....	7 00	4 00
Mount Joy Station.....	53 30	12 00	.....	3 00	.....	8 00	4 00
Mount Joy Circuit.....	38 91	8 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	4 00
Montclare & Pottstown Sta.....	.....	4 00	.....	1 00	2 52	6 00	3 00
Mountville Station.....	326 37	15 00	.....	5 00	5 00	9 00	7 00
New Holland Station.....	89 64	10 00	.....	9 00	.....	12 00	5 00
Oberlin Station.....	139 59	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	6 00	3 00
Paradise Station.....	82 26	12 00	5 00	3 00	.....	4 00	3 00
Pequea Station.....	22 91	15 00	.....	5 00	2 75	6 00	4 00
Penbrook Station.....	78 61	10 00	.....	7 00	5 25	7 00	4 00
Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah ...	79 05	7 00	.....	3 00	3 00	4 00	3 00
Philadelphia St. Paul.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Philadelphia Cent. Mis. Sta	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	2 00	1 00
Reading Otterbein.....	118 45	15 00	.....	7 00	.....	10 00	4 00
Royalton Mission Station..	5 00	12 00	15 00	6 00	.....	6 00	3 00
Shaefferstown Station.....	36 03	5 00	.....	3 00	.....	5 00	2 00
Steelton Station.....	195 98	20 00	.....	11 00	.....	12 00	8 00
St. Johns Station.....	20 03	4 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	3 00
Springfield Station.....	21 00	7 00	.....	3 00	4 83	6 00	5 00
Marietta.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$5,434 70	\$466 00	\$71 00	\$208 50	\$73 32	\$303 00	\$181 00



FINANCE.

Beneficiary Edu- cation.	Contributions to Colleges, Acad- emies, and Sem- inary.	U. B. Seminary Assessment.	Lebanon Valley College Assess- ment	Presents.	Conf. Church Extension.	Contingent Fund.	Mission Debt.	Total for All Pur- poses.
\$5 00	\$805 50	\$30 00	\$23 76	\$47 30	\$99 20	\$40 00	.....	\$4,042 11
1 00	71 80	3 00	2 25	15 00	14 05	8 00	.....	783 03
5 00	10 00	20 00	12 00	10 00	77 59	25 00	.....	4,251 52
2 00	.....	7 00	5 00	36 00	15 00	10 00	.....	1,160 00
2 00	.....	12 00	6 50	42 00	30 00	15 00	.....	1,667 01
3 00	.....	12 00	6 00	35 00	33 00	15 00	.....	977 30
2 00	20 00	12 00	7 00	26 00	25 00	20 00	.....	1,163 91
3 00	.....	5 00	7 00	85 00	15 25	10 00	.....	1,236 16
2 00	.....	6 00	5 00	25 00	20 00	24 00	.....	927 59
5 00	180 00	30 00	16 00	.....	107 25	40 00	.....	4,414 75
2 00	5,020 00	10 00	9 00	.....	61 52	20 00	.....	7,833 48
3 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	30 00	38 00	25 00	\$6 00	1,847 72
3 00	.....	12 00	9 25	100 75	45 25	25 00	.....	1,828 39
2 00	.....	6 00	5 00	23 00	20 00	20 00	.....	1,063 18
2 00	15 00	6 00	7 00	40 00	16 50	10 00	8 00	875 90
2 00	67 00	10 00	10 25	45 00	47 25	25 00	.....	2,380 66
3 00	15 00	6 00	10 00	35 00	.....	.....	.....	1,941 01
1 00	.....	2 00	3 00	24 00	10 00	10 00	4 00	1,178 25
1 00	.....	4 00	4 00	22 68	27 10	15 00	.....	1,165 69
2 00	.....	12 00	6 00	60 00	27 00	15 00	.....	1,275 00
2 00	.....	12 00	6 00	67 00	22 00	25 00	.....	1,587 40
2 00	5 00	6 00	6 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	.....	1,710 01
3 00	60 00	10 00	5 00	45 00	25 00	20 00	.....	1,230 85
2 00	50 00	12 00	4 00	67 00	36 00	10 00	.....	1,143 00
1 00	.....	2 00	2 00	30 00	10 00	6 00	.....	805 52
3 00	.....	13 00	9 00	25 00	65 00	.....	.....	2,620 83
3 00	.....	12 00	7 00	20 00	28 00	18 00	.....	1,359 62
2 00	.....	4 00	9 00	75 00	15 00	12 00	.....	1,627 95
2 00	.....	6 00	5 00	.....	27 80	15 00	.....	944 45
2 00	5 00	8 00	6 00	70 00	20 00	15 00	2 91	1,249 57
2 00	12 00	4 00	6 00	30 00	20 00	15 00	.....	1,037 34
2 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	6 75	15 00	10 00	.....	1,020 35
.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	.....	.....	235 75
1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	5 00	.....	1 00	.....	754 06
3 00	.....	8 00	7 00	45 12	33 50	20 00	.....	1,897 94
.....	2 00	8 00	4 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	371 37
1 00	.....	2 00	3 00	110 00	10 00	10 00	.....	3,301 70
3 00	56 25	17 00	10 00	.....	57 27	25 00	.....	3,973 97
1 00	.....	4 00	5 50	2 00	15 00	15 00	.....	1,201 15
2 00	.....	7 00	2 00	10 00	7 00	13 00	.....	802 83
.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	66 43
<b>\$87 00</b>	<b>\$6,409 55</b>	<b>\$357 00</b>	<b>\$269 51</b>	<b>\$1,340 60</b>	<b>\$1,155 53</b>	<b>\$637 00</b>	<b>\$20 91</b>	<b>\$70,980 61</b>

FIELD OF LABOR.	PROPERTY.						MISC.	
	No. of Church- Houses.	Value of Church- Houses and Grounds.	Debt on Churches.	No. of Parson- ages.	Value of Parson- ages.	Debt on Parson- ages.	Months Employed.	No. of Minutes Wanted.
Annville Station .....	1	\$10,000		1	\$2,500		12	100
Centerville Station .....	1	1,525	\$98				12	40
Columbia Station .....	1	18,500	2,425	1	1,500		12	150
Harrisburg Circuit .....	4	3,930					12	75
Ephrata Station .....	1	6,500	725	1	2,000	\$1,400		
Fishburn Circuit .....	3	5,500					12	60
Florin Circuit .....	2	3,500		1	1,300		12	60
Grantville Circuit .....	4	10,500					12	100
Halifax .....	3	3,700					12	60
Harrisburg Memorial .....	1	18,500		1	3,500			
Harrisburg Derry Street..	1	12,000	1,700	1	3,500	2,500	12	85
Highspire Station .....	1	10,000			2,500		12	
Hummelstown Station .....	1	7,000		1	1,850	700	12	60
Intercourse Station .....	2	5,800	1,876		1,000		12	50
Jacksonville Circuit .....	5	5,200		1	1,125		12	100
Lancaster Covenant .....	1	8,500		1	1,500		12	200
Lebanon Trinity .....	1	17,000	1,900	1	4,000	1,200	12	
Lebanon Circuit .....	3	4,900	2,032				12	75
Lititz Mission .....	3	6,000	830	1	1,700		12	60
Manheim Station .....	2	4,500		1	1,400	1,000	12	150
Manor Circuit .....	4	8,400	505				12	60
Middletown Station .....	1	12,000	4,000	1	1,700	1 500	12	150
Mount Joy Station .....	1	6,000		1	2,000		12	
Mount Joy Circuit .....	4	5,850					12	
Montclare & Pottst'n Sta.	2	8,500	2,345				12	50
Mountville Station .....	1	6,000		1	2,000		12	60
New Holland Station .....	2	5,500		1	1,500	955	12	
Oberlin Station .....	1	5,000		1	800		12	60
Paradise Station .....	1	5,000		1	800	675	12	50
Pequea Station .....	2	3,661					12	60
Penbrook Station .....	1	6,000					12	
Philadelphia Mt. Pisgah..	1	4,000	2,000				12	
Philadelphia St. Paul .....	1	2,500	700					
Philadel'a Cent. Mis. Sta.	1	8,000	4,900				12	
Reading Otterbein .....	1	6,000	550	1	3,000	1,750	12	50
Royalton Mission Station	1	1,200	270				12	
Shaefferstown Station .....	2	7,000	248				12	60
Steelton Station .....	1	13,000	1,500				12	125
St. Johns Station .....	1	4,500					12	
Springfield Station .....	3	6,555					12	60
Marietta .....	1	1,000						15
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>\$278,721</b>	<b>\$28,604</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>\$41,175</b>	<b>\$11,680</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>2,225</b>





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## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

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*Churches*—Appointments, 77; organized churches, 76.

*Ministers*—Active itinerants, 39; supernumerary itinerants, 10; superannuated, 2; local preachers, 6; total, 57.

*Members*—Beginning of year, 8,576; received, 727; deaths, 105; all other losses, 553; members at end of year, 8,645; decrease, 253; increase, 322; net increase, 69.

*Young People's Christian Union*—Number of societies, 56; number of members, 2,902; number of Junior societies, 21; number of members, 999.

*Sabbath Schools*—Number of schools, 77; scholars enrolled, 11,775; number of teachers and officers, 1,322; number of libraries, 24; number of volumes, 4,950.

*Literature*—*Religious Telescopes*, 631; *Quarterly Reviews*, 25; *Watchwords*, 379; *Bible Teachers*, 367; *Lesson Quarterlies*, 8,442; *Children's Friends*, 1,415; *Children's Visitors*, 545; *Lessons for the Little Ones*, 2,552; *Woman's Evangels*, 421; *Search Lights*, 101; *Botschafters*, 0; *Jugend Pilgers*, 0.

*Finances*—Pastors' salaries, \$22,951.09; value of presents, \$1,340.60; local church and parsonage expenses, \$21,959.30; presiding elder's salary, \$1,230; Bishop's collection, \$303; new churches, \$2,308.65; new parsonages, \$137.50; Preachers' Aid, \$181; local Sabbath school collections, \$5,400.36; general collection for missions, \$1,819.20; thank-offerings for missions, \$333.62; Woman's missions, \$2,349.70; special for missions, \$911.27; Conference Mission Debt Fund, \$20.91; Y. P. C. U. for missions, \$226.30; total for missions, \$5,434.70; Sabbath schools for missions, \$425.84; Church-Erection Fund, \$466; Church-Erection special, \$71; Sabbath-School General Fund, \$208.50; Children's Day collections, \$73.32; Union Biblical Seminary, \$357; Educational Beneficiary, \$87; contributions to colleges, academies, and Seminary, \$6,409.55; conference church extension, \$1,155.53; Contingent Fund, \$637; total for all purposes, \$70,980.61.

*Property*—Number of church-houses, 74; value of church-houses, \$278,721; number of parsonages, 19; value of parsonages, \$41,175.

*Miscellaneous*—Months employed, 444; number of Minutes wanted, 2,225; debt on churches, \$28,604; on parsonages, \$116.80.



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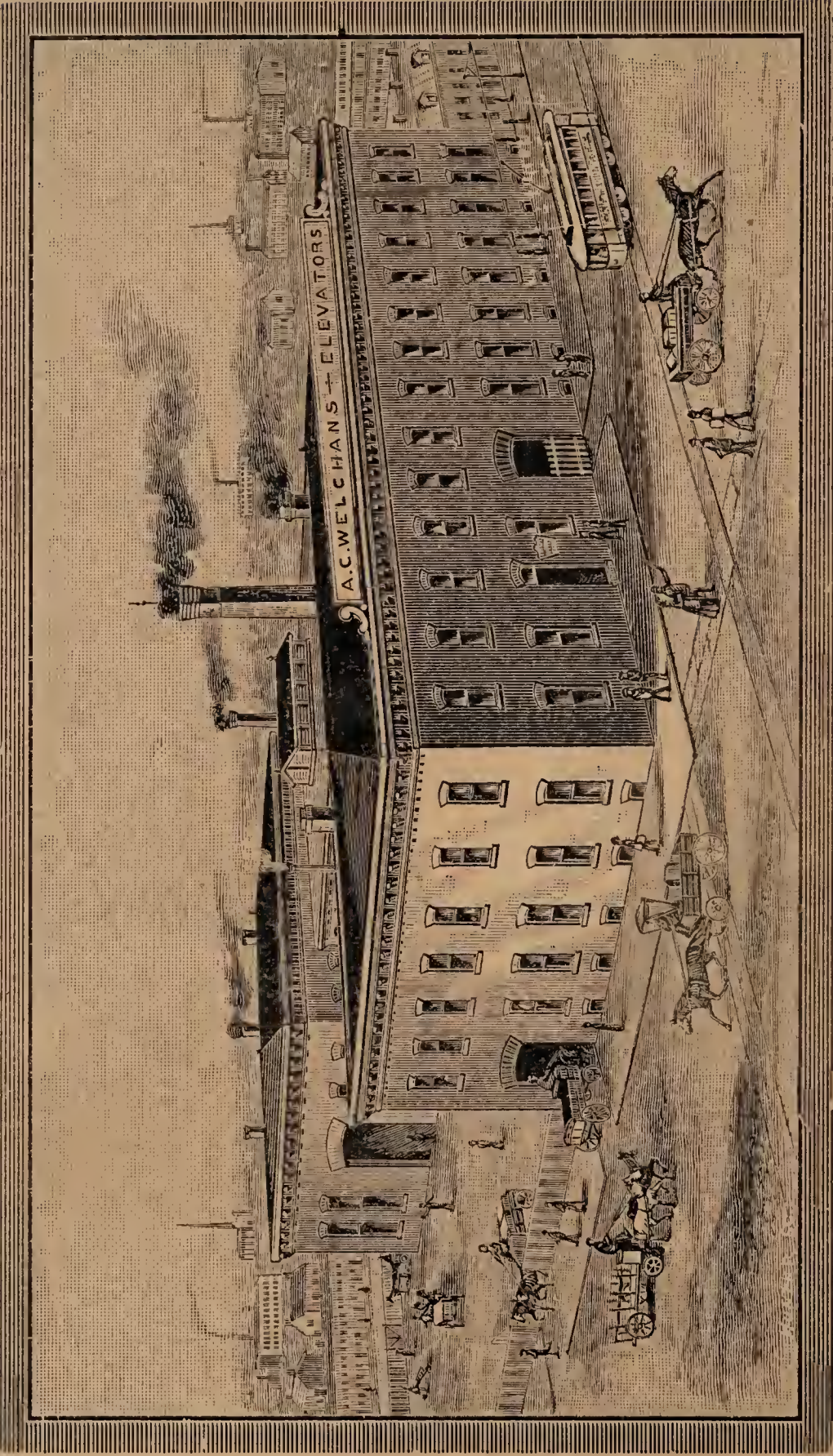
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